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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
2                   ON FEBRUARY 26, 2008 BEGINS ON PAGE 178.]

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6   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THIS MORNING, THE INVOCATION WILL BE BY  
7   FATHER DOMINIC RADECKI, OF QUEEN OF ANGELS CHURCH IN NEWHALL  
8   IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT. THE PLEDGE WILL BE BY JOSEPH M. SMITH,  
9   DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. PLEASE  
10   STAND.

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12   **FATHER DOMINIC RADECKI:** IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE  
13   SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST, AMEN. WE PRAY THEE, OH GOD OF  
14   MIGHT, WISDOM AND JUSTICE, FOR WHOM AUTHORITY IS RIGHTLY  
15   ADMINISTERED, LAWS ARE ENACTED AND JUDGMENT DECREED. ASSIST  
16   WITH THY HOLY SPIRIT OF COUNSEL AND FORTITUDE THE PRESIDENT OF  
17   THESE UNITED STATES, GEORGE W. BUSH, THAT HIS ADMINISTRATION  
18   MAY BE CONDUCTED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND BE EMINENTLY USEFUL TO  
19   THY PEOPLE OVER WHOM HE PRESIDES BY ENCOURAGING DUE RESPECT  
20   FOR VIRTUE IN RELIGION, BY A FAITHFUL EXECUTION OF THE LAWS  
21   AND JUSTICE AND MERCY AND BY RESTRAINING VICE AND IMMORALITY.  
22   LET THE LIGHT OF THY DIVINE WISDOM DIRECT THE DELIBERATIONS OF  
23   CONGRESS AND SHINE FORTH ON ALL THE PROCEEDINGS AND LAWS  
24   FRAMED FOR OUR ROLE IN GOVERNMENT SO THAT THEY MAY TEND TO THE  
25   PRESERVATION OF PEACE, THE PROMOTION OF NATIONAL HAPPINESS,



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1 THE INCREASE OF INDUSTRY, TEMPERANCE AND USEFUL KNOWLEDGE, AND  
2 MAY PERPETUATE TO US THE BLESSINGS OF EQUAL LIBERTY. WE PRAY  
3 FOR OUR GOVERNOR, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, FOR ALL THE MEMBERS  
4 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR ALL  
5 JUDGES, MAGISTRATES AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS WHO ARE  
6 APPOINTED TO GUARD OUR POLITICAL WELFARE THAT THEY MAY BE  
7 ENABLED BY THY POWERFUL PROTECTION TO DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF  
8 THEIR RESPECTIVE STATIONS WITH HONESTY AND ABILITY. WE  
9 RECOMMEND, LIKEWISE, TO THY UNBOUNDED MERCY ALL OUR FELLOW  
10 CITIZENS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES THAT THEY MAY BE BLESSED  
11 IN THE KNOWLEDGE AND SANCTIFIED IN THE OBSERVANCE OF THY MOST  
12 HOLY LAW, THAT THEY MAY BE PRESERVED IN UNION; AND IN THAT  
13 PEACE WHICH THE WORLD CANNOT GIVE, AND AFTER ENJOYING THE  
14 BLESSINGS OF THIS LIFE, BE ADMITTED TO THOSE WHICH ARE  
15 ETERNAL, AMEN.

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17 **COL. JOSEPH SMITH:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR  
18 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.  
19 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TO BRING DOWN TO THE  
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY, FATHER DOMINIC RADECKI, WHO HAS  
25 BEEN THE PASTOR OF QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE





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1 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS, WHERE HE OFFERS THE  
2 TRADITIONAL CATHOLIC LATIN MASS AND SACRAMENTS. AT THE AGE OF  
3 15, FATHER DOMINIC AND HIS TWIN BROTHER, FATHER FRANCISCO,  
4 ENTERED THE RELIGIOUS CONGREGATION OF MARY IMMACULATE QUEEN  
5 AND SHORTLY AFTERWARDS BEGAN TRAINING FOR THE TRADITIONAL  
6 CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD. AND ON MAY 27TH, 1988, BOTH FATHER  
7 DOMINIC AND HIS BROTHER, FATHER FRANCISCO, WERE ORDAINED.  
8 TOGETHER, THE TWO FAMOUS CATHOLIC BROTHERS HAVE AUTHORED  
9 SEVERAL BOOKS AND RECENTLY RELEASED A CD OF LATIN HIGH MASSES  
10 AND TREASURED CATHOLIC HYMNS. SO FATHER DOMINIC, FOR YOUR  
11 LEADERSHIP IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS  
12 ANGELES, STATE, NATION, AND THE WORLD. THANK YOU FOR COMING  
13 DOWN TO LEAD US IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
16 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC  
17 HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. ON THESE ITEMS, WE WILL HOLD THEM  
18 FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 6, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS,  
19 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 5 THROUGH 8. ON ITEM NUMBER 5,  
20 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
21 ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

22  
23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH,  
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 9 THROUGH 16, ON  
2 ITEM NUMBER 9, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
3 HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 10, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS  
4 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 4TH, 2008; AND  
5 ALSO THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
6 THIS ITEM.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO HOLD IT, ALSO.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 11, AS INDICATED ON THE  
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT  
12 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 4TH, 2008; AND ALSO  
13 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
14 ITEM.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC SAFETY -- EXCUSE ME. ON ITEM NUMBER  
19 12, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
20 CONTINUED TO APRIL 1ST, 2008.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 14, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH  
2 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
3 MARCH 11TH, 2008.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAY I GO BACK TO 11? THE C.E.O. WAS  
6 WITHDRAWING THE REQUEST TO CONTINUE ITEM 11. IS THERE STILL A  
7 REQUEST TO CONTINUE IT?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, THERE IS.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHAT ABOUT 10? IS THERE STILL A REQUEST TO  
12 CONTINUE 10? ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HOLD BOTH OF THEM THEN.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE ON ITEM 14 IS BEING CONTINUED TWO  
15 WEEKS.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NUMBER 15, THE DIRECTOR  
20 OF PUBLIC HEALTH WOULD LIKE THE SETTLEMENT APPROVED TODAY AND  
21 THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT. IT  
22 WILL HAVE TO COME BACK FOR APPROVAL, CORRECT. THE CORRECTIVE  
23 ACTION PLAN.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.





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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** EXCUSE ME, I'M SORRY, MADAME CHAIR, ON ITEM  
5 NUMBER 16, WE WILL HAVE TO HOLD THIS ITEM. IT'S A FOUR-VOTE  
6 MATTER. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH; SECONDED BY MOLINA;  
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 10, DISCUSSION ITEM. ITEM NUMBER  
12 17, WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. AND ON PAGE 12, NOTICES OF  
13 CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM CS-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT  
14 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 4TH, 2008.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
19 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
20 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A PRESENTATION TO CONSUL GENERAL.  
23 I'M VERY PLEASED TO CALL FORWARD CONSUL GENERAL, THE HONORABLE  
24 ROBERT JOHN TAYLOR, CONSUL GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND. HE WAS  
25 APPOINTED TO THIS POST BY HIS GOVERNMENT APRIL 2004,



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1 ACCREDITED ON MAY 24, 2004. HE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR  
2 GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AND GOVERNMENT-TO-BUSINESS RELATIONS  
3 BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND THE ECONOMIES OF THE WESTERN UNITED  
4 STATES. HIS MISSION IN LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN TO IMPROVE  
5 LINKAGES WITH OUR ECONOMY, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS OF  
6 EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY, KNOWLEDGE  
7 TRANSFERS, AND TRADE AND INVESTMENT. HE HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVE  
8 IN FOSTERING CULTURAL, DIPLOMATIC, AND GOVERNMENT EXCHANGES.  
9 NEW ZEALAND HAS PARTICULAR INTEREST ENHANCING TRADE LINKS IN  
10 SECTORS THAT ARE HIGHLY IMPORTANT TO THE ECONOMY OF THE  
11 COUNTY, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES,  
12 BIOTECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES.  
13 CONSUL GENERAL TAYLOR HAS CARRIED OUT THESE DUTIES WITH AN  
14 EXPERTISE AND PROFESSIONALISM THAT'S BEEN HONED BY MORE THAN  
15 25 YEARS AS A CAREER DIPLOMAT SPECIALIZING IN INTERNATIONAL  
16 TRADE. HE WILL BE DEPARTING HIS POST NEXT MARCH 5TH TO TAKE UP  
17 THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE NEW ZEALAND HEAD OF  
18 STATE. ON BEHALF OF THE NEARLY 11 MILLION PEOPLE OF LOS  
19 ANGELES COUNTY AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE BID CONSUL  
20 GENERAL ROBERT JOHN TAYLOR FAREWELL. HE'S BEEN A REALLY WORTHY  
21 REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS COUNTRY. AND WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATED  
22 HIS WORK HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]  
23 AND WOULD YOU SAY A WORD?  
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1 **CONSUL GENERAL ROBERT TAYLOR:** I BRING YOU GREETINGS FROM THE  
2 PEOPLE OF NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PRIME MINISTER AND OUR HEAD OF  
3 STATE I WAS HERE FOUR YEARS AGO IN THIS VERY ROOM WHEN I WAS  
4 INTRODUCED BY THE COUNTY. AND OVER THOSE FOUR YEARS SINCE  
5 TODAY, I'VE SEEN MANY CHANGES IN THE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF  
6 LOS ANGELES ALL FOR THE BETTER, ALL FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT  
7 NEW ZEALAND NOW TAKES. I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST FOR THE FUTURE.  
8 I'VE CERTAINLY ENJOYED MY TIME HERE OVER THE FOUR YEARS. AND I  
9 LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING MUCH MORE ABOUT THE CITY OF LOS  
10 ANGELES IN THE FUTURE. CAN I ALSO SPEAK AS THE DEPARTING  
11 SECRETARY OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSULAR CORPS, AND I WOULD JUST  
12 LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY AND PARTICULARLY LAURA SAAB IN YOUR  
13 PROTOCOL DIVISION FOR ALL THE GOOD WORKS THEY GIVE THE  
14 CONSULAR CORPS IN LOS ANGELES. IT'S ONE OF THE LARGEST  
15 CONSULAR CORPS, AS YOU KNOW, IN THE WORLD AND THE WORK AND  
16 INDEED THE SUPPORT THAT YOU PROVIDE IS MOST INDEBTED AND WE  
17 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK I'M THE ONE THAT'S UP NOW. I'D LIKE  
22 TO CALL FORWARD DIRECTOR OF L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
23 AND RECREATION, RUSS GUINEY. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD THE 30TH  
24 ANNUAL LOS ANGELES COUNTY MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS.  
25 MICHAEL TELESKA ACCEPTING ON BEHALF OF THE LOUISVILLE HIGH



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1 SCHOOL, JENNIFER LECHMAN ACCEPTING ON BEHALF OF SIERRA CANYON  
2 MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND WENDY ROBINSON-HERRERA, THE HELEN BERNSTEIN  
3 OUTSTANDING TEACHER OF THE YEAR. THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS  
4 FOUNDATION SPONSORS A STATE-WIDE COMPETITION EACH YEAR WHERE  
5 APPROXIMATELY 8,000 STUDENTS PREPARE TRIAL PRESENTATIONS WITH  
6 THE ASSISTANCE OF TEACHERS AND VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY COACHES.  
7 THIS YEAR, THE STUDENTS LEARNED ABOUT THE ROLE SCIENTIFIC  
8 EVIDENCE PLAYS IN A CRIMINAL TRIAL. THE PROGRAM INVOLVED OVER  
9 2,000 MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM 110 MIDDLE AND HIGH  
10 SCHOOLS. THERE WERE OVER 350 VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS AND JUDGES  
11 FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT ALSO PARTICIPATED. I'D  
12 LIKE TO INVITE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, KNABE AND ANTONOVICH TO  
13 JOIN ME IN HONORING THE 2007 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION  
14 MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION CHAMPIONS. FIRST, LOUISVILLE HIGH  
15 SCHOOL, LOCATED IN WOODLAND HILLS, CHAMPIONS OF THE SENIOR  
16 DIVISION. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN SIERRA CANYON MIDDLE SCHOOL  
17 LOCATED IN CHATSWORTH, CHAMPION OF THE JUNIOR DIVISION. AND  
18 THEN WE HAVE FROM WALTER DEXTER MIDDLE SCHOOL, LOCATED IN  
19 WHITTIER, AND WINNER OF THE HELEN BERNSTEIN OUTSTANDING  
20 TEACHER AWARD, WENDY ROBINSON-HERRERA. [APPLAUSE.] IT WAS  
21 CERTAINLY OUR PLEASURE TO PRESENT THESE SCROLLS TO ALL OF THE  
22 2007 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION 30TH ANNUAL LOS ANGELES  
23 COUNTY MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION WINNERS. AND I'D LIKE FOR ALL OF  
24 THEM TO JUST RAISE THEIR HANDS OVER THERE SO WE CAN RECOGNIZE  
25 ALL OF THEM AND THEIR PARENTS. [APPLAUSE.]



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**MICHAEL TELESKA:** I JUST WANTED TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK  
YVONNE BRATHWAITE-BURKE AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR  
HAVING US DOWN HERE TODAY. THIS IS A GREAT HONOR FOR US TO BE  
ABLE TO BE HERE AND RECEIVE THIS AWARD. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK  
LAURA WESLEY AND ALL THE FOLKS OVER AT THE CONSTITUTIONAL  
RIGHTS FOUNDATION WHO PUT THIS COMPETITION TOGETHER EVERY  
YEAR. IT'S A REMARKABLE COMPETITION. THERE WERE THOUSANDS OF  
STUDENTS FROM AROUND CALIFORNIA THAT ARE IN IT. AND ASIDE FROM  
BEING A COMPETITION, IT IS AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THAT  
INSTILLS CIVIC VALUES IN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. AND FOR THAT, THEY  
SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND WE PLAN  
TO REPRESENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY VERY WELL IN THE STATE  
COMPETITION. AND THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

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**JENNIFER LECHMAN:** THANK YOU ALL FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. IT'S  
WONDERFUL TO HAVE OUR KIDS COME DOWN HERE AND BE ABLE TO SEE  
HOW THE GOVERNMENT WORKS. AND IT'S SUCH A GREAT OPPORTUNITY.  
AND THANK YOU, SIERRA, FOR PUTTING ON SUCH A FABULOUS  
COMPETITION. THE KIDS LEARN SO MUCH. AND IT'S JUST ALWAYS SUCH  
AN HONOR TO BE HERE. THANK YOU.

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**SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TEACHER OF THE YEAR.

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1    **WENDY ROBINSON-HERRERA:** GOOD MORNING. IT'S VERY MUCH AN HONOR  
2    TO BE HERE. I'D LIKE TO THANK YVONNE BRATHWAITE-BURKE AND THE  
3    REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING THE FIRST PLACE  
4    WINNERS IN MOCK TRIAL. THEY WORK EXTREMELY HARD, I KNOW FROM  
5    EXPERIENCE JUST HOW HARD THEY WORK. THEY HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A  
6    TREMENDOUS AMOUNT. AND THIS IS ALSO AN HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE  
7    TODAY AND I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS. AND I HAVE A COUPLE  
8    PEOPLE ALSO TO THANK, AND THAT'S MY SUPPORT IN PERPETUITY  
9    HUSBAND, MR. PAUL HERRERA, WITHOUT WHOM I WOULD NOT BE HERE.  
10    AND MY COLLEAGUE, MRS. LORI FREILICH, WHO HAS ALSO HELPED A  
11    GREAT DEAL. SO I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS HONOR. I  
12    WOULDN'T BE HERE WITHOUT YOU YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
13    [APPLAUSE.]

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15    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD THE L.A.  
16    COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, RUSS GUINEY. AND  
17    THEY'RE LAUNCHING A PLAY FOR LIFE! CAMPAIGN. THE PLAY FOR  
18    LIFE! MESSAGE TO YOUTH, FAMILY, SENIORS AND EVERYONE IN  
19    BETWEEN IS TO BE HEALTHY, STAY ACTIVE AND PLAY AT COUNTY OF  
20    LOS ANGELES PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES. THE COUNTY OF LOS  
21    ANGELES HAS OVER 65,528 ACRES OF RECREATION WHERE PHYSICAL  
22    ACTIVITY AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS HELP CONTRIBUTE TO A  
23    PERSON'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND STRESS RELIEF. BEGINNING IN  
24    MARCH, THE START OF NINE CATCHY PHRASES WILL BE USED MONTHLY  
25    TO OFFER IDEAS OF WAYS TO GET HEALTHIER BY PLAYING FOR LIFE IN





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1 COUNTY PARKS. IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS  
2 SCROLL TODAY, WELL, TO JOHN WICKER, WHO IS ASSISTANT COUNTY  
3 DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
4 RECREATION AND HE'S HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AND ENCOURAGED FOR HIS  
5 ACTIVITY, PLAY FOR LIFE! IT'S GOING TO BE AT 140 PARKS. SO  
6 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **JOHN WICKER:** THANK YOU. WELL YES, GOOD MORNING. AND THANK YOU,  
9 SUPERVISOR BURKE, FOR RECOGNIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
10 RECREATION AND OUR NEW CAMPAIGN, PLAY FOR LIFE! PUBLIC  
11 INFORMATION CAMPAIGN. RUSS GUINEY, OUR DIRECTOR, REALLY WANTED  
12 TO BE HERE TODAY BUT HE'S ACTUALLY ACROSS THE COURTYARD DOING  
13 HIS CIVIC DUTY AND SERVING ON JURY DUTY.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH, OKAY.

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17 **JOHN WICKER:** BUT THE MESSAGE OF THIS CAMPAIGN, WHICH IS  
18 DESIGNED FOR YOUTH, FAMILIES, SENIORS AND EVERYONE IN BETWEEN  
19 IS TO BE HEALTHY, STAY ACTIVE AND PLAY FOR LIFE IN WHATEVER  
20 FORM THAT MEANS TO YOU AT THE MORE THAN 140 COUNTY PARKS AND  
21 RECREATION FACILITIES. WE HAVE GIVEN EACH OF YOU A PRESS KIT  
22 WHICH CONTAINS ALL THE COLORFUL AND PLAYFUL BUTTONS WHICH WE  
23 WILL BE DISTRIBUTING ON A MONTHLY BASIS. WE'LL BE USING SHORT,  
24 CATCHY PHRASES THAT REFERENCE BOTH A PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND A  
25 SPECIFIC ASPECT OF THE DEPARTMENT, SUCH AS "TAKE A HIKE,"



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1 WHICH HIGHLIGHTS OUR HIKING AND EQUESTRIAN TRAILS; "MAKE A  
2 SPLASH," WHICH HIGHLIGHTS OUR SWIMMING POOLS; AND "CHILL OUT,"  
3 WHICH SHOWCASES OUR LAKES. WE HOPE TO SEE MORE RESIDENTS TAKE  
4 ADVANTAGE OF OUR BEAUTIFUL FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS. THE  
5 CAMPAIGN WAS DEVELOPED BY IMEE PERIUS, OUR PUBLIC INFORMATION  
6 OFFICER, AND IS BEING IMPLEMENTED BY OUR PUBLIC INFORMATION  
7 AND MARKETING TEAM, WHICH IS LED BY OUR SPECIAL ASSISTANT KAY  
8 MICHAELSON, OUR DEPUTY DIRECTORS, OUR REGIONAL OPERATION  
9 MANAGERS, OUR PUBLIC INFORMATION ASSISTANTS, AND OUR  
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS LIAISON. AS YOU CAN SEE, IT'S A GREAT  
11 TEAM EFFORT AND MANY OF OUR TEAM MEMBERS ARE WITH ME HERE  
12 TODAY. WE KNOW HOW COMMITTED EACH OF YOU SUPERVISORS ARE TO  
13 MAKING QUALITY RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES AVAILABLE  
14 FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT, THE LOS ANGELES  
15 COUNTY PARK SYSTEM IS ONE OF THE BEST IN THE NATION. THANK YOU  
16 FOR JOINING ME IN THIS CAMPAIGN, WHICH ENCOURAGES EVERYONE TO  
17 BE HEALTHY, STAY ACTIVE, AND PLAY FOR LIFE AT ONE OF OUR  
18 BEAUTIFUL COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES. THANK YOU,  
19 SUPERVISOR.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD WEST LOS ANGELES  
24 COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE HAS FOR  
25 NEARLY 40 YEARS PROVIDED STUDENT ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE,



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1 INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC COMPETITION AND QUALITY HIGHER  
2 EDUCATION FOR THOUSANDS OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND CAREER  
3 EDUCATION ADULTS. UNFORTUNATELY, 21 YEARS AGO, THE WEST L.A.  
4 COLLEGE BASEBALL PROGRAM WAS CUT BECAUSE OF BUDGET RESTRAINTS.  
5 AFTER A 21-YEAR ABSENCE, THE BASEBALL PROGRAM WILL OFFICIALLY  
6 RETURN TO THE CAMPUS WITH AN OPENING DAY CELEBRATION MARCH  
7 1ST, WEST L.A. VERSUS MISSION COLLEGE. WEST L.A. IS STRONGLY  
8 GUIDED BY THE PRESIDENT, DR. MARK ROCHA, WHO HAS WISELY  
9 INVESTED PROP AA BOND FUNDS FOR THE NEW CONSTRUCTION AND  
10 RENOVATION OF CAMPUS SPORTS FACILITIES. HE'S DONE AN  
11 EXCEPTIONAL JOB OF PROMOTING STUDENT ATHLETICS AND ENHANCING  
12 STUDENT QUALITY OF LIFE. IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I  
13 PRESENT THIS SCROLL TODAY, PROCLAIMING MARCH 1ST, 2008 AS  
14 BASEBALL IS BACK AT WEST L.A. DAY, AND URGE THE COMMUNITY TO  
15 SUPPORT THE CAMPUSES. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND MANY, MANY  
16 THANKS. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEY WERE VERY FORTUNATE. THEY GOT A  
17 FIRST RATE COACH. AND THAT'S SO IMPORTANT. IT'S SO DIFFICULT  
18 FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO GET THESE COACHES. THANK YOU VERY  
19 MUCH.

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21 **DR. MARK ROCHA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SUPERVISOR BURKE, THANK  
22 YOU SO MUCH. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE LEARNED AT WEST IS THAT  
23 IT TAKES A SUPERVISOR TO RAISE A BASEBALL TEAM. OVER TWO YEARS  
24 AGO, WHEN WE HAD A DREAM TO TURN AN EMPTY LOT ON OUR CAMPUS  
25 INTO A FIELD WHERE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN COULD PLAY BASEBALL,



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1 YOU STEPPED UP AND SAID "LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN." AND WE ARE  
2 HERE TODAY BECAUSE OF YOU. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOU  
3 THROW THE FIRST PITCH ON SATURDAY ON MARCH 1ST. THE SECOND  
4 THING I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR IS TO THANK ALL THE VOTERS  
5 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN SUPPORTING THE  
6 BONDS PROP A AND AA, WHICH MADE THIS BEAUTIFUL FIELD POSSIBLE.  
7 IT'S AS GOOD AS THE DODGERS' FIELD. WE HAD THE DODGERS' HELP.  
8 AND SO JUST BE A GREAT DAY ON SATURDAY. AND THE THIRD THING I  
9 WANT TO DO, GENTLEMEN, YOU CAN PUT YOUR CAPS ON NOW. OKAY.  
10 THESE GUYS ARE GENTLEMEN, IS TO INTRODUCE OUR COACH BOB GRANT.  
11 AND ONE THING I WANT TO DO IN INTRODUCING COACH GRANT AND HIS  
12 PLAYERS, COACH GRANT IS AN EDUCATOR. THESE PLAYERS, SUPERVISOR  
13 BURKE, NOT ONLY ARE THEY PLAYING GOOD BASEBALL, BUT THEY ARE  
14 GOOD STUDENTS. AND THE CUMULATIVE G.P.A. OF THESE STUDENTS  
15 THIS YEAR IS 3.14. [APPLAUSE.] SO, COACH GRANT?

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17 **COACH BOB GRANT:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BURKE, THANK YOU FOR  
18 ALL YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE BASEBALL AND BRINGING IT BACK TO WEST  
19 L.A. COLLEGE. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE PLAYERS THAT ARE HERE.  
20 ANDREW PLOTKIN. BRANDON WILLIAMS, AND JOSH FERNANDEZ. AND WE  
21 ALSO HAVE OUR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, STEVE EDGARS, WITH US. THANK  
22 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. AND I'M REALLY  
25 LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS. YOU KNOW, EVERYONE WHO COMPLAINS WHEN



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1    THEY LOOK AT OUR NATIONAL TEAMS AND THEY SAY THERE'S NONE OF  
2    OUR LOCAL BOYS PLAYING AS THEY USED TO. WE HAVE TO GET OUR  
3    BASEBALL BACK IN ALL OF OUR HIGH SCHOOLS AND COMPETITION IN  
4    OUR COMMUNITY COLLEGES. AND I HAVE ONE MORE I'M TRYING TO GET  
5    BEFORE I GO. BUT IF WE CAN HAVE BASEBALL IN OUR COMMUNITY  
6    COLLEGES, YOU KNOW THAT THEY CAN MOVE ON TO THE BIG LEAGUES.  
7    AND THAT'S A BIG STEP. AND SO THAT'S WHY I HOPE YOU ALL  
8    ENCOURAGE THEM. AND WE'D LIKE TO SEE THEM IN ALL OUR COMMUNITY  
9    COLLEGES, SO THAT OUR COMMUNITY COLLEGES HAVE GREAT TEAMS, AND  
10    THIS ONE IS GOING TO BE GREAT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] MY  
11    DISTRICT WAS CLOSE TO YOURS. AND WENT WITHOUT A BASEBALL TEAM  
12    A LONG TIME. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD RETIRING SHERIFF  
13    DEPARTMENT CHIEFS, SAMMY L. JONES, RONNIE M. WILLIAMS, RICHARD  
14    L. CASTRO. TODAY WE ARE RECOGNIZING A FEW OF THE SHERIFF'S  
15    DEPARTMENT'S FINEST. ON MARCH 30TH, 2008, CHIEF SAMMY JONES  
16    WILL RETIRE FROM THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AFTER 35  
17    YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES  
18    COUNTY. HIS CAREER BEGAN IN 1973, WHERE HE WORKED VARIOUS  
19    ASSIGNMENTS IN CUSTODY, COURT SERVICE DIVISION, EAST LOS  
20    ANGELES STATION, SHERIFF'S INFORMATION BUREAU, AND THE OFFICE  
21    OF THE UNDERSHERIFF. HE WAS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT IN 1989 AND  
22    SERVED AT TEMPLE STATION AND NARCOTICS BUREAU. HE WAS  
23    APPOINTED TO LIEUTENANT IN 1997 WHERE HE WORKED IN PITCHESS  
24    DETENTION CENTER, EAST FACILITY, AND LENNOX STATION. IN 2000,  
25    HE WAS PROMOTED AND TOOK COMMAND AT CAPTAIN OF LENNOX STATION.



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1 IN APRIL 2003, HE WAS ONCE AGAIN PROMOTED TO COMMANDER AND  
2 ASSIGNED TO FIELD OPERATIONS REGION 1. IT'S WITH GREAT  
3 PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO CHIEF SAMMY L. JONES IN  
4 CELEBRATION OF HIS UPCOMING RETIREMENT AS WE COMMEND HIM FOR  
5 35 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT  
6 TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BUT  
7 WE WISH HE'D STAY A WHILE LONGER. WE REALLY NEED HIM WHEN HE  
8 COMES BEFORE US ON THOSE DETENTION ISSUES. BUT WE WERE SORRY  
9 TO SEE HIM LEAVE LENNOX. BUT CONGRATULATIONS. YOU REALLY  
10 DESERVE IT. [APPLAUSE.] I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE ALL THREE AND  
11 THEN I'LL HAVE EACH ONE OF THEM SAY A WORD. I'D LIKE TO  
12 WELCOME CHIEF RICHARD "RICK" CASTRO, WHO WILL ALSO BE RETIRING  
13 ON MARCH 31, 2008, AFTER COMPLETING IN EXCESS OF 38 YEARS OF  
14 SERVICE WITH L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. CHIEF CASTRO  
15 BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 1969, WHERE  
16 HE WORKED VARIOUS ASSIGNMENTS AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, EAST LOS  
17 ANGELES STATION, AND GRANTS MANAGEMENT UNIT. HE WAS PROMOTED  
18 TO SERGEANT IN 1976 AND ASSIGNED TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD  
19 STATION, NORWALK STATION, AND FIELD OPERATION REGIONAL 3  
20 HEADQUARTERS. HE WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT IN 1986, HELD THE  
21 POSITION AS TRANSPORTATION AND THE OFFICE OF UNDER SHERIFF. IN  
22 1996 HE WAS PROMOTED AND TOOK COMMAND AS CAPTAIN OF SYBIL  
23 BRAND INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN BEFORE BEING ASSIGNED TO THE  
24 PITCHESS DETENTION CENTER NORTH FACILITY. IN 2000 HE WAS  
25 PROMOTED TO COMMANDER AND HAD ASSIGNMENTS IN THE LEADERSHIP





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1 AND TRAINING DIVISION FIELD OPERATION REGION 2 AND DETECTIVE  
2 DIVISION. IT'S WITH A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE I PRESENT THIS  
3 SCROLL TO CHIEF RICHARD L. CASTRO AS WE COMMEND HIM FOR 38  
4 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] WHERE IS  
5 RONNIE WILLIAMS?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE RONNIE WILLIAMS.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HOW DID YOU GET HIS?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST OF ALL, WE WANT TO COMMEND CHIEF  
12 CASTRO. SAMMY HAS BEEN REALLY A PART OF OUR FIFTH DISTRICT.  
13 AND WE APPRECIATE HIS HANDS-ON, BE IT IN THE SANTA CLARITA  
14 VALLEY WHEN WE HAD SOME SERIOUS ISSUES, IN THE SAN GABRIEL  
15 VALLEY WHERE WE'VE HAD ISSUES, AND ANTELOPE VALLEY. BUT WE  
16 JUST APPRECIATE SAMMY'S DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT. AND RON  
17 WILLIAMS, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING, REALLY, ONE-ON-ONE  
18 WHEN I GOT ELECTED SUPERVISOR. AND I'LL GO THROUGH RONNIE'S  
19 BACKGROUND RIGHT NOW, OUR CHIEF RONNIE WILLIAMS IS RETIRING  
20 AFTER 35 YEARS. HIS CAREER BEGAN BACK IN 1973 WHEN HE  
21 GRADUATED FROM THE SHERIFF'S ACADEMY. HE SERVED AT THE HALL OF  
22 JUSTICE JAIL, THE U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER JAIL WARD, LENNOX  
23 STATION, OPERATION SAFE STREETS BUREAU AND MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL.  
24 AND THEN IN 1985 HE WAS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT AND THEN HE HELD  
25 ASSIGNMENTS AT CRESCENTA VALLEY STATION AND HOMICIDE BUREAU



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1 AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU. AND THEN 1990, PROMOTED TO  
2 LIEUTENANT AND TOOK OVER ON THE ASSIGNMENT AT MIRA LOMA IN THE  
3 ANTELOPE VALLEY, MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SAFETY  
4 POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND LENNOX STATION, AND AGAIN THE CRESCENTA  
5 VALLEY STATION. THEN HE WAS PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN IN 1999 AND HE  
6 HELD THOSE ASSIGNMENTS AT THE ALTADENA STATION AND THE  
7 NARCOTICS BUREAU. IN 2003 HE WAS PROMOTED TO COMMANDER AND  
8 ASSIGNED TO THE DETECTIVE DIVISION. AND THEN IN MAY 2004,  
9 PROMOTED TO CHIEF AND ASSIGNED TO FIELD OPERATIONS REGION 2,  
10 WHERE HE OVERSAW THE OPERATIONS OF THE AVALON, CARSONS,  
11 CENTURY, COMPTON, LENNOX, LA MIDA, MARINA DEL REY AND WEST  
12 HOLLYWOOD STATIONS, THE CITYWALK SUBSTATION, LAWNDALE  
13 SUBSTATION, COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUREAU, COPS BUREAU, OPERATION  
14 SAFE STREETS. AND HE RESIDES IN GLENDORA WITH HIS WIFE,  
15 SHARON, AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. BUT RONNIE HAS BEEN, AGAIN,  
16 LIKE SAMMY, DIRECTLY INVOLVED, AND THE ALTADENA COMMUNITIES  
17 LOVE RON. AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE  
18 COMMUNITY RESPECT RON AND HIS INVOLVEMENT, EVEN THOUGH WHEN HE  
19 GOT PROMOTED AND WENT UP THE LADDER, HE STILL KEPT INVOLVED.  
20 AND, AGAIN, WHEN WE HAD NIGHT MEETINGS, DAY MEETINGS, RONNIE  
21 WAS THERE JUST LIKE SAMMY WAS THERE. WE'RE REALLY LOSING TWO  
22 FINE OFFICERS. CHIEF CASTRO I'VE NOT DIRECTLY WORKED WITH AS  
23 MUCH AS I'VE DONE WITH RONNIE AND SAMMY, BUT YOU ALL HAVE  
24 BROUGHT PROFESSIONALISM, DIGNITY, AND GREAT ROLE MODELS TO OUR



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1 YOUNG PEOPLE AND OUR OLD ALIKE. SO RONNIE, I HAVE YOUR  
2 PROCLAMATION OVER HERE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHILE YOU'RE OVER THERE, DO YOU WANT TO SAY  
5 A WORD?

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7 **CHIEF RONNIE M. WILLIAMS:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
8 SUPERVISORS FOR THIS AND THANK THE COUNTY FOR HAVING ME FOR 35  
9 YEARS AND LETTING ME HANG OUT. AND I'LL GO BACK TO MY FAMILY  
10 AND KIND OF HANG OUT WITH THEM. SO IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE. IT'S  
11 BEEN A GOOD RUN. BUT IT'S TIME TO GO. SO THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] CHIEF  
14 CASTRO?

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16 **CHIEF RICHARD L. CASTRO:** I JUST WANT TO ECHO WHAT MY PEER HAD  
17 TO SAY. I WANTED TO ADD IF I HAD ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO DO IT  
18 AGAIN, I WOULDN'T HESITATE A SECOND. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
19 [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **CHIEF SAMMY L. JONES:** I ECHO WHAT MY PEERS SAY. I'D LIKE TO  
22 ADD THAT ONE THING THAT I'M MOST PROUD OF IN THE 35 YEARS OF  
23 SERVICE IS BEING A POLICEMAN. THAT IS WHAT I AM MOST PROUD OF.  
24 AND IT HAS BEEN ONE HELL OF AN E-TICKET RIDE AND I WOULDN'T DO



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1 ANYTHING OR CHANGE ANYTHING THAT I'VE DONE. SO THANK YOU FOR  
2 HAVING ME. I APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND WE HATE TO SEE THEM GO.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I CAN JUST SAY A COMMENT  
7 ABOUT SAMMY. I DON'T KNOW THE OTHERS NEARLY AS WELL, BUT I  
8 THINK THE ENTIRE BOARD GOT TO KNOW SAMMY DURING THE ISSUES WE  
9 HAD IN THE JAILS. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK HIM FOR INCREDIBLE  
10 GRACE UNDER PRESSURE AND BEING A PROBLEM SOLVER AT THAT TIME.  
11 IT WAS NOT EASY, AND I'M NOT SURE WE'RE COMPLETELY OUT OF THE  
12 WOODS. BUT WE HAD A VERY VOLATILE SITUATION, WHICH GOT  
13 RESOLVED, AT LEAST STABILIZED, THANKS TO HIM AND HIS COLLEAGUE  
14 AND HIS STAFF AT THE JAIL. I, FOR ONE, APPRECIATED THE WORK  
15 YOU DID AT THAT TIME.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD ADD THE SAME THING TO SAMMY.  
18 HE SAID HE'D MUCH RATHER BE OUT THERE TESTIFYING IN FRONT OF  
19 US THAN STANDING UP HERE.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK THAT'S TRUE.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU DON'T THINK SO?

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** ANYWAY, WE APPRECIATED SAMMY'S EFFORTS IN WORKING  
2   WITH HIM. IT WAS A VERY DIFFICULT TIME FOR ALL OF US. HE WAS  
3   UP FRONT AND HONEST AND THAT'S ALL WE CAN ASK. [APPLAUSE.]

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5   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR  
6   KNABE?

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8   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE AND  
9   HONOR TO ASK THE TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' GOLF TEAM AND  
10   COACH JOHN WURZER TO JOIN US UP HERE. TODAY, WE ARE HONORING  
11   THE TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' GOLF TEAM AS THE 2007 C.I.F.  
12   STATE GIRL'S GOLF CHAMPIONS. THEY FINISHED SECOND LAST YEAR,  
13   AND SO THEY WERE ON A MISSION THIS YEAR. AND THEY FINISHED  
14   WITH A TEAM SCORE OF 400 TO WIN THE SECOND STATE TITLE IN  
15   THREE YEARS. THE TARTARS ALSO WON NUMEROUS HONORS AND  
16   CHAMPIONSHIPS ALONG THE WAY DURING THE SEASON, INCLUDING THEIR  
17   THIRD CONSECUTIVE C.I.F. SOUTHERN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP,  
18   C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION TEAM FINALS RUNNER UP AND THEIR THIRD  
19   CONSECUTIVE WOMEN OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF ASSOCIATION  
20   REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP. THEY HAVE ALSO WON, MOST IMPORTANTLY  
21   I'M SURE THEY'RE GOING TO SAY, THE LAST FOUR KNABE CUPS. BUT  
22   SEVERAL GIRLS ON THE TEAM HAVE ALSO BEEN INDIVIDUALLY  
23   RECOGNIZED, INCLUDING JENNY SHIN FOR BEING NAMED THE 2007  
24   C.I.F. STATE REGIONAL CHAMPION, AND JANE RAH AS THE 2007  
25   C.I.F. STATE CHAMPION RUNNER UP. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY



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1 COLLEAGUES AND THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE'D LIKE  
2 TO PRESENT COACH WURZER AND THE MEMBERS OF HIS TEAM A SCROLL  
3 AND RECOGNITION. WE GAVE THEM INDIVIDUAL SCROLLS UPSTAIRS, BUT  
4 A GREAT TEAM, GREAT CHARACTER, GREAT YOUNG LADIES. AND WE'RE  
5 ALWAYS PROUD OF THEM. SO CONGRATULATIONS, COACH, ONCE AGAIN,  
6 AND LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOU BACK HERE NEXT YEAR.  
7 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. THANKS AGAIN. NEXT,  
8 I'D LIKE TO INVITE UP LEE LOPEZ. SHE IS FROM LA SERNA HIGH  
9 SCHOOL IN WHITTIER. AND SHE IS HERE WITH HER PRINCIPAL, MARTIN  
10 PLOURDE, AND GOLF COACH, ORSON MALCASIAN, HER PARENTS, ROBERT  
11 AND ANNA LOPEZ. AS YOU SAW, WE JUST HONORED THE STATE TEAM  
12 CHAMPIONS, AND NOW WE HAVE THE PLEASURE OF RECOGNIZING A YOUNG  
13 LADY WHO WON THE 2007 STATE GOLF TITLE AS AN INDIVIDUAL. AND  
14 ZEV, PAY ATTENTION, THIS IS ALSO FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT. THE  
15 LA SERNA HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR, LEE LOPEZ, SHOT A 2 UNDER PAR 70  
16 TO CAPTURE THE C.I.F. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE POPPY HILLS  
17 GOLF COURSE IN PEBBLE BEACH. SHE HAS CAPTURED FOUR LEAGUE  
18 TITLES, HER FIRST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, AND ALSO A KNABE CUP  
19 WINNER. SHE'S FROM WHITTIER AND SHE'S GOING TO BE PLAYING FOR  
20 THE LONG BEACH STATE 49ERS NEXT FALL, GO BEACH. SO ON BEHALF  
21 OF MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, WE'D LIKE TO  
22 SAY CONGRATULATIONS, LEE, AND WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST IN  
23 YOUR FUTURE GOLF ACCOMPLISHMENTS. [APPLAUSE.]  
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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THE RUMOR TRUE THAT SHE'S GOING TO BE ON  
2   YOUR FOURSOME AT THE COUNTY DIPLOMATIC GOLF-- YEAH, I FIGURED.  
3   YOUR SON ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH, HUH? 2 UNDER PAR.

4

5   **LEE LOPEZ:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY AND BOARD OF  
6   SUPERVISORS FOR THIS AWARD. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE. MY  
7   PARENTS, OUR PRINCIPAL, MR. PLOURDE AND OUR GOLF COACH, MR.  
8   MALCASIAN. WITHOUT THEM, NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN  
9   POSSIBLE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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11   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, WE HAD ONE OF THOSE MOMENTS EARLIER WITH THE  
12   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND NOW WE HAVE ANOTHER HAPPY MOMENT FOR  
13   THE HONOREE, SORT OF A SAD MOMENT FOR ALL OF US. SO I'D LIKE  
14   TO ASK DON WOLFE AND HIS WIFE KAREN TO PLEASE JOIN ME UP HERE.  
15   [APPLAUSE.] DON, AS YOU KNOW, IS OUR DIRECTOR OF OUR COUNTY  
16   PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. HE IS RETIRING THIS THURSDAY AFTER 39  
17   YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE BEGAN HIS  
18   CAREER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ENGINEERS AS A CIVIL  
19   ENGINEERING ASSISTANT AND ADVANCED THROUGH THE RANKS TO HIS  
20   PRESENT POSITION. HE WAS THE FOURTH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS  
21   AND HAS SERVED IN THAT POSITION FOR THE LAST 3-1/2 YEARS. AS A  
22   DIRECTOR, HE ALSO SERVED AS A COUNTY ENGINEER, COUNTY  
23   SURVEYOR, COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONER, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE  
24   FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, BUILDING OFFICIAL AND GENERAL MANAGER  
25   OF NUMEROUS SPECIAL DISTRICTS. DON HAS LED A GREAT DEPARTMENT



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1 RECOGNIZED FOR EMPLOYEE EXCELLENCE, CUSTOMER SERVICE,  
2 RESPONSIVENESS, INNOVATION, AND SAFETY. UNDER HIS DIRECTION,  
3 THE DEPARTMENT HAS ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION OF THE L.A.C.+U.S.C.  
4 MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT FACILITY, BECAME A LEADER IN  
5 PROVIDING MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION.  
6 BOY, YOU DON'T WANT TO SAY THAT FAST, DO YOU? AND ESTABLISHED  
7 A TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER. ACHIEVED A 53 PERCENT REDUCTION  
8 IN SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL, AND EFFECTIVELY RESPONDED TO OUR  
9 DEVASTATING FLOODS AND WILDFIRES. HE HAS DEMONSTRATED  
10 OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP IN THE AREA WATERSHED  
11 MANAGEMENT, DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING COST-EFFECTIVE  
12 PROGRAMS TO REDUCE STORM WATER POLLUTION, GREENING THE PUBLIC  
13 WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE, WATER CONSERVATION, WATER REUSE,  
14 GRAFFITI ABATEMENT. HE ALSO CHAIRED THE GREATER LOS ANGELES  
15 BASIN REGIONAL WATER INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE.  
16 HE'S BEEN A PROMINENT MEMBER OF SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS AND  
17 ASSOCIATIONS, INCLUDING THE COUNTY ENGINEERS' ASSOCIATION OF  
18 CALIFORNIA, THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING OFFICIALS, THE  
19 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, THE RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS  
20 CONSERVANCY, THE SANTA MONICA BAY RESTORATION COMMISSION.  
21 AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION AND AMERICAN SOCIETY OF  
22 CIVIL ENGINEERS AND KEEP CALIFORNIA BEAUTIFUL. AND THEN THE  
23 OTHER DAY, YOU WERE IN THE OFFICE ONCE. WE'RE SORRY TO SEE DON  
24 GO, BUT WE WISH HE AND KAREN A VERY JOYFUL AND HEALTHY  
25 RETIREMENT, AND WE WANT TO THANK HIM FOR HIS 39 YEARS OF



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1 SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND TO THE  
2 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. CONGRATULATIONS, DON. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO CONGRATULATE DON. IN OUR RECENT  
5 FIRE THAT WE HAD IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, HOW WE WERE ABLE  
6 TO -- THE DEPARTMENT REALLY PROUD HOW THEY REBUILT THE BRIDGE  
7 IN THE SHORTEST TIME FRAME AND GOT IT UP AND OPERATING TO  
8 PROVIDE THE SERVICE THAT IS SO VITAL TO THE SANTA CLARITA,  
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY. THANK YOU FOR THAT LEADERSHIP. AND ALL OF THE  
10 OTHER DISASTERS WE'VE HAD, FROM FLOODING AND EARTHQUAKES, FOR  
11 BEING ON THE JOB.

12

13 **DON WOLFE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. 39 YEARS AGO I CAME HERE,  
14 1969. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GAVE ME AN OUTSTANDING  
15 OPPORTUNITY. I CAME HERE WITH JUST MY CIVIL ENGINEERING DEGREE  
16 AND MY SLIDE RULE. AND THE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE MILLION  
17 DOLLAR EDUCATION THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GAVE ME HAS  
18 GIVEN ME A CAREER THAT I COULD NOT HAVE DREAMED A BETTER MORE  
19 REWARDING CAREER THAN THE ONE I'VE GOT HERE. I DO NOT REGRET  
20 ONE MINUTE OR ONE DECISION WITH RESPECT TO COMING TO WORK FOR  
21 THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION. AND ALL THE THINGS SUPERVISOR KNABE  
22 MENTIONED, AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MENTIONED, THAT WAS MY  
23 STAFF THAT DID THAT. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS  
24 DEPARTMENT IN L.A. COUNTY IS THE BEST PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
25 IN ALL THE NATION. THERE'S ONLY ONE REASON FOR THAT, AND



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1 THAT'S THE GREAT STAFF. THE MEN AND WOMEN YOU SEE EVERY DAY IN  
2 THE ORANGE SHIRTS TAKING CARE OF YOUR INFRASTRUCTURE OUT  
3 THERE, UP THROUGH MY MANAGEMENT STAFF AND MY CHIEF DEPUTY,  
4 LOYAL, HARD WORKING, DEDICATED PEOPLE WHO UNDERSTAND PUBLIC  
5 SERVICE. AND I HAVE SEVERAL OF THEM WITH ME HERE TODAY. I  
6 WOULD LIKE FOR YOU FOLKS JUST TO STAND UP. STAND UP, COME ON,  
7 STAND UP. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND FOLKS  
8 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL, TOO, THAT WORK FOR ME DAY AND NIGHT, THEY  
9 ARE VERY CLOSE, CAME HERE. SO ANYWAY, I JUST REALLY APPRECIATE  
10 THE GREAT STAFF THAT I HAVE. AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
11 SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING A CHANCE ON ME, GIVING ME THE  
12 OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. YOU'VE BEEN A  
13 GOOD BOSS FOR THE LAST 3-1/2 YEARS. I REALLY RESPECT AND  
14 APPRECIATE YOUR DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SERVICE. AND I HOPE THAT  
15 I'VE COME AT LEAST CLOSE TO MEETING YOUR HIGH EXPECTATIONS OF  
16 ME AND MY DEPARTMENT DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME. AND LAST, I  
17 WANTED TO INTRODUCE MY WIFE, KAREN HERE, AND THANK HER. SHE'S  
18 BEEN MY ROCK. WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH, SHE'S THERE. SHE  
19 GIVES ME GOOD ADVICE AND I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU ALL  
20 VERY MUCH. THANKS FOR A GREAT CAREER. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.  
21 [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** FIFTH DISTRICT? ON ITEM 16, IF THERE IS NO  
24 OBJECTION, MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY,  
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION. THAT WAS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. YES. BUT I WAS



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1 JUST TAKING THAT. OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT  
2 WAS JUST HELD BECAUSE IT WAS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. IT WASN'T  
3 BECAUSE ANYONE WAS HOLDING IT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO WELCOME A MAN WHO  
6 HAS DONE A GREAT DEAL OF GOOD WORK FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE SAN  
7 GABRIEL VALLEY, SPECIFICALLY, AND THE ALTADENA AND PASADENA  
8 COMMUNITIES. AND THAT'S TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD AND ALSO HARLAN  
9 REDMOND, WHO IS NOW GOING TO BE THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
10 THE MENTORING AND PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. THEY HAVE  
11 SERVED AS POSITIVE ROLE MODELS IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE YOUTH  
12 TO LOOK UP AND TO EMULATE. IN THE FAR CORNER, JOHN MUIR HIGH  
13 SCHOOL, OUTSIDE AN OTHERWISE NONDESCRIPT BUNGALOW HANGS A  
14 SIGN, A SIGN THAT SAYS "BUILDING REAL MEN." AND IT'S HERE AT  
15 LUNCHTIME EVERY DAY THAT SHACK ATTEMPTS TO WORK TO BE THAT  
16 POSITIVE ROLE MODEL IN BUILDING THESE STUDENTS INTO YOUNG MEN.  
17 SINCE 2002 HE HELPED TRANSFORM COUNTLESS MALE STUDENTS AT JOHN  
18 MUIR HIGH SCHOOL TO GRADUATES WITH PROMISING FUTURES. THROUGH  
19 HIS LUNCH WITH THE FUTURE MENTORING, TUTORING, AND JOB  
20 TRAINING PROGRAMS, STUDENTS LEARN HOW TO BEHAVE IN SOCIETY AND  
21 HOW TO PROVIDE THEMSELVES FOR THE FUTURE BY HAVING A STABLE  
22 FOUNDATION. A 31-YEAR EMPLOYEE OF THE LOS ANGELES WATER AND  
23 POWER, SHACK HAS -- WAS ABOUT TO RETIRE ONE DAY WHEN THE  
24 PRINCIPAL THEN CALLED HIM, EDDIE NEWMAN, SEEING THAT THERE WAS  
25 A NEED TO CURTAIL SOME OF THE BEHAVIORS AMONG MUIR'S AFRICAN-



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1 AMERICAN ATHLETES AND ASKED SHACK TO COME ON BOARD AND TO HELP  
2 WITH THESE YOUNG MEN. SO A MEMBER OF THE BLACK MALES FORUM,  
3 SHACK IMMEDIATELY RECRUITED HELP AND CREATED MENTORING AND  
4 PARTNERSHIPS FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT TO INCLUDE ALL MUIR MALE  
5 STUDENTS. AND AT FIRST, HE AND HIS ASSOCIATES RAN THE PROGRAM  
6 OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKETS, INVITING BOYS TO COME GET LUNCH AND  
7 HEAR ABOUT HOW THEY COULD TURN AROUND THEIR LIVES. THE PROGRAM  
8 GREW TO INCLUDE GUEST SPEAKERS, MENTORS, TUTORS, AND  
9 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. AND THROUGH HIS EFFORTS, INSTANCES  
10 OF YOUNG MEN SWEARING, FIGHTING, PURSUING GIRLS, AND  
11 DISCUSSING TRIVIAL MATTERS DECREASED SUBSTANTIALLY. SHACK  
12 THOUGHT HE WAS GOING TO ENJOY A RELAXING RETIREMENT. INSTEAD,  
13 HE INSTILLS NEW PRIDE IN PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT FELT SUCH EMOTION  
14 BEFORE. AND LET ME PERSONALLY SAY THAT SHACK, AT OUR TOWN HALL  
15 MEETINGS THAT WE HOLD IN THE ALTADENA OR ALL OF THE OTHER  
16 COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, SHACK IS THERE, BE IT ON A SUNDAY, A  
17 MONDAY NIGHT, MONDAY MORNING, IT DOESN'T MATTER. AND HE'S A  
18 REAL GOOD ROLE MODEL BECAUSE HE JUST DOESN'T TELL YOU WHAT TO  
19 DO; HE EXHIBITS THOSE SAME CHARACTER QUALITIES HIMSELF IN  
20 BEING DEDICATED TO HIS COMMUNITY AND INSURING THAT EVERYBODY  
21 HAS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. BUT THEY HAVE TO BE PREPARED BY A  
22 GOOD EDUCATION TO ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS AND ACHIEVE THEIR  
23 DREAMS. SO SHACK, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, LET ME GIVE YOU  
24 THIS PROCLAMATION, THEN WE'RE GOING TO ASK YOU TO SAY A COUPLE  
25 WORDS. [APPLAUSE.]





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2   **TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR MIKE  
3   ANTONOVICH AND I'D LIKE TO THANK SUSAN NOVAK. AND THESE ARE MY  
4   VOLUNTEERS HERE. WE ARE A WHOLE VOLUNTEER GROUP UP AT JOHN  
5   MUIR. THIS IS OUR PRESIDENT, MR. PAGGETT, OUR SECRETARY AND  
6   TREASURER, MR. DRIVER, AND HIS WIFE MS. DRIVER, AND OUR  
7   PROGRAM DIRECTOR HARLAN REDMOND. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK  
8   EVERYONE FOR THE HELP, AND I APPRECIATE THE HELP THEY'RE  
9   GIVING US NOW OVER AT JOHN MUIR SO WE DON'T HAVE TO USE ALL  
10   OUR MONEY OUT OF OUR POCKETS ANYMORE. BECAUSE THAT WAS A GREAT  
11   DEAL TO HAVE THE SUPERVISORS TO HELP US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING, HARLAN? NOW  
14   WE HAVE A LITTLE MIX SPANIEL. SHE IS EIGHT WEEKS OLD. HER NAME  
15   IS MINI. MINI'S GOT FLYING EARS. LOOK AT THOSE EARS. ANYWAY,  
16   SHE'S LOOKING FOR A LITTLE HOME. YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644,  
17   ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO TAKE LITTLE MINI  
18   HOME. SEE ANYBODY OUT THERE? HUH? OKAY. ANYWAY, SHE'S LOOKING  
19   FOR A HOME.

20

21   **SUP. KNABE:** PAGING ALL MEMBERS? WHILE WE ARE WAITING FOR OUR  
22   QUORUM TO GATHER HERE, WHY DON'T WE HAVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
23   SWEAR THOSE FOLKS IN THAT ARE GOING TO BE TESTIFYING TODAY ON  
24   THE ITEMS BEFORE THE BOARD.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY ON ITEMS 1  
2 THROUGH 4, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN  
3 IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU  
4 SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING  
5 BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. WE DO HAVE A QUORUM NOW. WE WILL MOVE  
8 FORWARD THEN WITH ITEM NUMBER 1, A HEARING.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE  
11 RECORD. THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONDITIONALLY VACATE, WITH  
12 RESERVATIONS, THE ALLEY EAST OF HOLMES AVE., IN THE  
13 UNINCORPORATED FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
14 RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER AND I BELIEVE THERE IS A DEPARTMENT  
15 STATEMENT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, WE WILL HAVE A STAFF REPORT FROM THE  
18 DEPARTMENT, PLEASE.

19

20 **JOSE SUAREZ:** I'M AN ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE  
21 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED  
22 CONDITION OF VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S EASEMENT INTEREST IN THE  
23 DESIGNATED ALLEYS LOCATED EAST OF HOLMES AVENUE IN THE  
24 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA. THE VACATION WAS PROPOSED BY THE  
25 OWNERS OF ADJOINING PROPERTIES DUE TO THE OCCURRENCE OF



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1 CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES IN THE DESIGNATED ALLEYS. THE PROPOSED  
2 VACATION AREA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 10,900 SQUARE FEET. IN MY  
3 OPINION, THE INVOLVED EASEMENT AREAS PROPOSED TO BE VACATED  
4 ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE,  
5 INCLUDING NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. THE  
6 VACATION WILL NOT CUT OFF ACCESS TO ANY PROPERTIES OR  
7 NEGATIVELY IMPACT OTHER SURROUNDING PROPERTIES. THE VACATION  
8 WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE APPLICANTS PROVIDE  
9 PLANS AND CONSTRUCT GATED ENTRANCES AND PROVIDE FIRE  
10 DEPARTMENT ACCESS AT RANDOLPH STREET, WILMINGTON AVENUE, 58TH  
11 PLACE. EXISTING EASEMENT RIGHTS FOR VARIOUS UTILITIES WILL BE  
12 RESERVED. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY PROTESTS

13  
14 **SUP. KNABE:** DO WE HAVE ANYONE THAT'S SIGNED UP?

15  
16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO.

17  
18 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
19 ANTONOVICH THAT WE WILL MOVE THE ITEM. IS THERE A SECOND?  
20 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SECONDS. TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.  
21 AND THEN THE ITEMS BEFORE US, MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
22 YAROSLAVSKY, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. BEFORE WE MOVE TO  
23 ITEM NUMBER 2, IT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT WE HAVE A REPORT  
24 READY FROM OUR INTERIM REGISTRAR-RECORDER, DEAN LOGAN. I'D ASK  
25 DEAN TO COME FORWARD AND MAKE HIS PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD



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1 RIGHT NOW. MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO, IF THERE'S ANYBODY IN THE  
2 AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD, THEY SHOULD FILL OUT A CARD ON  
3 THIS.

4

5 **DEAN LOGAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR THE  
6 OPPORTUNITY TO COME TODAY AND GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON WHERE  
7 WE'RE AT WITH THE CANVASS OF THE FEBRUARY 5TH PRESIDENTIAL  
8 PRIMARY ELECTION IN L.A. COUNTY. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN  
9 WORKING ON THE REMAINING CANVASSING ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH  
10 THAT ELECTION AS WELL AS TRYING TO MAKE A DETERMINATION IF WE  
11 CAN ADDRESS THE ISSUE WITH THE DECLINE-TO-STATE VOTERS WHO  
12 VOTED IN L.A. COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 5TH AND WHO HAD DIFFICULTY  
13 WITH THE BALLOT LAYOUT THAT WE PRESENTED, THE DOUBLE BUBBLE  
14 ISSUE. I'M HAPPY TO REPORT TODAY THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED ADVICE  
15 FROM LEGAL COUNSEL AND HAVE WORKED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
16 ON SOME CRITERIA THAT WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN APPLY TO THOSE  
17 BALLOTS AND THAT WILL RESULT IN A NUMBER, A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER  
18 OF THOSE VOTES BEING INCLUDED IN THE FINAL CANVASS OF THIS  
19 ELECTION. I SENT A LETTER TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE YESTERDAY  
20 IN RESPONSE TO HER RECOMMENDATIONS OF FEBRUARY 14TH AND ALSO  
21 IN RESPONSE TO THE ADVICE THAT I RECEIVED FROM COUNSEL ON  
22 THIS. I FORWARDED COPIES OF THAT TO EACH OF YOUR OFFICES LATE  
23 YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. THE TWO CRITERIA THAT WE ARE GOING TO  
24 APPLY TO THESE BALLOTS ARE TO GO THROUGH AND ON THOSE BALLOT  
25 POSITIONS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST WHERE THERE WAS NOT A



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1     DUPLICATION BETWEEN THE CANDIDATES FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
2     AND THE AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY, WE WILL GO THROUGH AND  
3     COUNT THOSE VOTES EVEN WHERE THE VOTERS DID NOT FILL IN THE  
4     PARTY SELECTION BUBBLE. ON THE SECOND CRITERIA, WHAT WE WILL  
5     DO -- AND THIS WAS PART OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
6     SECRETARY OF STATE AND SOME OF THE STAKEHOLDER GROUPS, WE WILL  
7     GO THROUGH THE ROSTER OF VOTERS THAT WAS USED ON ELECTION DAY  
8     AT EACH OF THE PRECINCTS TO DETERMINE IF THE POLL WORKERS HAD  
9     INDICATED IN THE ROSTER WHICH PARTY THE NONPARTISAN VOTERS  
10    WISHED TO CROSS OVER FOR. AND IN THOSE PRECINCTS WHERE WE CAN  
11    IDENTIFY THAT THOSE CROSSOVER VOTES WERE EXCLUSIVELY FOR  
12    EITHER THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OR THE AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY,  
13    AND AGAIN THOSE WERE THE ONLY TWO PARTIES THAT ALLOWED FOR  
14    CROSSOVER VOTING, THEN WE WILL GO THROUGH AND COUNT THE VOTES  
15    FOR THE APPROPRIATE PARTY EVEN IN POSITIONS 8 THROUGH 10,  
16    WHICH WERE DUPLICATED POSITIONS FOR THOSE TWO PRESIDENTIAL  
17    CONTESTS. SO WE BELIEVE THAT BY DOING THAT, WE HAVE SOLID  
18    GROUND FOR DETERMINING VOTER INTENT ON THOSE BALLOTS. WE HAVE  
19    DETERMINED THAT WE CAN DO THAT THROUGH AN AUTOMATED PROCESS  
20    USING OUR CENTRAL TABULATION SYSTEM AND WE BELIEVE WE CAN  
21    COMPLETE THAT BEFORE WE CERTIFY THE ELECTION ON NEXT TUESDAY,  
22    MARCH 4TH. IT WILL BE THE LAST THING WE DO IN THE  
23    CERTIFICATION OF THE ELECTION BECAUSE WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT  
24    ALL OF THE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED AND ALL OF  
25    THE REMAINING VOTE BY MAIL OR ANY LINGERING PRECINCT BALLOTS



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1 FROM THE ELECTION HAVE BEEN INCLUDED. IT IS PUSHING THE  
2 CALENDAR A LITTLE BIT TO GET IT DONE BY TUESDAY. WE THINK WE  
3 WILL BE ABLE TO DO THAT. WE WILL TRY TO FINISH THE REGULAR  
4 CANVASS OF THE ELECTION BY FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK, AND THEN WE'LL  
5 USE THIS WEEKEND AND MONDAY TO CONDUCT THIS ADDITIONAL  
6 PROCESSING OF THE DECLINE-TO-STATE BALLOTS AND THEN HAVE A  
7 REPORT OF THE FINAL ELECTION RESULTS NEXT TUESDAY. SO WE  
8 APPRECIATE THE CONCERN ON THIS ISSUE. AS I'VE STATED BEFORE TO  
9 THE BOARD, WE ARE CHANGING THE BALLOT LAYOUT. WE WILL NOT USE  
10 THE BUBBLE IN FUTURE ELECTIONS. AND WE ARE WORKING WITH  
11 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER GROUPS ON THE OPTIONS FOR THE JUNE  
12 PRIMARY AS WELL AS WORKING WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S  
13 OFFICE ON THAT. AND I APPRECIATE THE TIME AND THE PATIENCE AND  
14 THE COOPERATION THAT WE'VE HAD ON THIS ISSUE. IT'S BEEN A  
15 CHALLENGING ISSUE, BUT I THINK THIS IS A SOLUTION THAT SERVES  
16 OUR COMMUNITY WELL AND SERVES THE ELECTIONS PROCESS WELL AND  
17 THAT WILL REMIND PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT WHEN YOU DO SHOW  
18 UP AND VOTE, THAT WE ARE GOING TO COUNT YOUR VOTE AS IT WAS  
19 INTENDED TO BE COUNTED. AND WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT THE NEW  
20 PEOPLE THAT WERE BROUGHT INTO THE ELECTION IN THE PRESIDENTIAL  
21 PRIMARY COME BACK IN JUNE AND NOVEMBER. AND HOPEFULLY THIS  
22 ACTION CONVEYS TO THEM THE COMMITMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT AND  
23 THE COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT'S THE CASE.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR? COULD I BE RECOGNIZED?





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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME, FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR BEING  
5 RESPONSIVE TO THE BOARD'S CONCERN, THE PUBLIC'S CONCERN AND I  
6 KNOW YOUR CONCERN, TOO, BECAUSE I'VE HAD A NUMBER OF  
7 DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU ABOUT THIS. AND I KNOW HOW TROUBLED YOU  
8 WERE BY THIS SITUATION. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE SECRETARY  
9 OF STATE'S OFFICE. THERE'S BEEN A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE  
10 SECRETARY'S OFFICE AND YOUR OFFICE AND THE BOARD LONG BEFORE  
11 THIS ISSUE ERUPTED. AND SHE GAVE YOU SOME GUIDANCE IN THE  
12 LETTER SHE SENT TO YOU IN MID-FEBRUARY. AND WHAT YOU'VE  
13 PROPOSED IN YOUR LETTER TO HER, WHICH I THINK WHICH WE'VE ALL  
14 SEEN, IS CONSISTENT WITH THAT, AND IS AS FAR AS THE LAW  
15 ALLOWS. I KNOW YOU DISCUSSED OUR LEGAL CONSTRAINTS AND OUR  
16 LEGAL COUNSEL'S OPINION WITH THEM. IT WILL GO AS FAR AS WE CAN  
17 LEGALLY GO. I JUST WANTED TO WALK -- SO, ANYWAY, I WANTED TO  
18 THANK YOU FOR TAKING THIS LEMONADE AND AT LEAST SWEETENING IT.  
19 I MEAN THIS LEMON AND TURNING IT INTO A SWEETER LEMON. NOT  
20 QUITE LEMONADE, BUT THAT'S NOT SOMETHING WE'RE GOING TO BE  
21 ABLE TO DO GIVEN THE CONSTRAINTS OF THE LAW. I DO WANT TO JUST  
22 WALK THROUGH ONE TIME, REALLY FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT, JUST SO WE  
23 UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON. IN THIS ELECTION ON FEBRUARY 5TH,  
24 THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 200,000 INDEPENDENT VOTERS WHO VOTED  
25 IN THIS COUNTY, CORRECT?



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2 **DEAN LOGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OF THOSE 200,000, HALF, APPROXIMATELY HALF  
5 OR APPROXIMATELY 100,000 VOTED FOR A PARTY AND CORRECTLY  
6 DESIGNATED THE DOUBLE BUBBLE, OR ONE OF THE TWO BUBBLES IN THE  
7 DOUBLE BUBBLE, CORRECT?

8

9 **DEAN LOGAN:** CORRECT. AND THOSE WERE COUNTED AS SUCCESSFUL  
10 CROSSOVER VOTES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALREADY COUNTED. SO THAT LEAVES 100,000 OF  
13 THE 200,000. OF THOSE 100,000 REMAINING, 50,000 DID NOT VOTE  
14 FOR A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE AT ALL, APPARENTLY, AM I CORRECT  
15 AND APPARENTLY INTENDED TO VOTE INDEPENDENT, CORRECT?

16

17 **DEAN LOGAN:** RIGHT. THEY INTENDED TO BE NONPARTISAN VOTERS. SO  
18 THEY SPECIFICALLY, THEY COULDN'T CROSS OVER TO VOTE REPUBLICAN  
19 AND THEY CHOSE TO ONLY VOTE A NONPARTISAN BALLOT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO OF THE 200,000 OR SO OF THE  
22 INDEPENDENTS WHO VOTED IN THE ELECTION, FOR CERTAIN 75 PERCENT  
23 OF THEM WERE COUNTED CORRECTLY IF WE DO NOTHING ELSE, CORRECT?

24

25 **DEAN LOGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT LEAVES THE LAST 25 PERCENT, WHICH IS  
3 WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, THE PROCEDURE THAT YOU JUST  
4 DESCRIBED ADDRESSES THOSE 25 PERCENT, OR APPROXIMATELY 50,000  
5 REMAINING VOTERS; CORRECT?

6

7 **DEAN LOGAN:** ROUGHLY, YES.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. AND OF THOSE, DO YOU HAVE ANY SENSE OF  
10 WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE ARE GOING TO BE ULTIMATELY COUNTED?  
11 BASED ON YOUR SAMPLING?

12

13 **DEAN LOGAN:** IT'S DIFFICULT TO COME UP WITH A HARD AND FAST  
14 NUMBER ON THAT BECAUSE THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ARE ROTATED  
15 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SO DEPENDING UPON WHICH ASSEMBLY  
16 DISTRICT THAT BALLOT APPEARED IN WOULD DEPEND ON WHETHER THE  
17 MAJOR PARTY CANDIDATES THAT WERE STILL IN THE RACE ON FEBRUARY  
18 5TH, WHERE THEY APPEARED ON THE BALLOT. I THINK THOUGH THAT  
19 OUR STATISTICAL SAMPLE HAS SHOWN THAT BETWEEN THESE TWO  
20 CRITERIA THAT WE'RE APPLYING, THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET THE  
21 LION'S SHARE OF THOSE VOTES INTO THE TOTAL. I'M HESITANT TO  
22 MAKE IT SPECIFIC.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MORE THAN 50 PERCENT.

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1   **DEAN LOGAN:** I THINK IT WILL DEFINITELY BE MORE THAN 50  
2   PERCENT, YES.

3

4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO LET'S BE VERY CONSERVATIVE  
5   BECAUSE I THINK IT WILL BE MORE THAN 50 PERCENT, TOO. BUT IF  
6   HALF OF THOSE REMAINING 50,000 ARE COUNTED, THAT'S 25,000,  
7   APPROXIMATELY 25,000, WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT 175,000 OUT OF  
8   200,000 OF THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS WHO CAME TO THE POLL AND  
9   VOTED WILL HAVE BEEN COUNTED. AND PROBABLY MORE. BUT WE DON'T  
10   KNOW FOR SURE AT THIS POINT.

11

12   **DEAN LOGAN:** THAT IS CORRECT.

13

14   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE LAST QUESTION THAT I HAVE IS: OF  
15   THOSE THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COUNT BECAUSE THEY ARE IN  
16   THE OVERLAP AND YOU CAN'T LEGITIMATELY DEDUCE HOW THEY  
17   INTENDED TO VOTE BASED ON WHAT NUMBER THE BUBBLE WAS, OR THE  
18   LACK OF -- OR SOME CONFLICT IN THE ROSTER, WILL YOU TALLY  
19   THOSE -- THAT NUMBER OF VOTES THAT YOU WERE NOT ABLE TO  
20   ASCERTAIN SO THAT THE PUBLIC KNOWS WHAT THE DAMAGE WAS?

21

22   **DEAN LOGAN:** WHAT WE'LL DO WITH THOSE IS WE WILL REPORT ON THE  
23   TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES THAT FELL INTO THAT CRITERIA SO THAT WE  
24   WILL KNOW THE NUMBER OF ESSENTIALLY PRESIDENTIAL VOTES THAT



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1 WERE NOT ABLE TO BE ASCERTAINED. WE WILL NOT REPORT ON A  
2 CANDIDATE-SPECIFIC BASIS HOWEVER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** UNDERSTOOD. BUT YOU WILL SAY WE WERE NOT  
5 ABLE TO ASCERTAIN 12,532 VOTES OUT OF THE 200,000 OR WHATEVER  
6 IT IS.

7

8 **DEAN LOGAN:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. YEAH, DEAN, I KNOW  
11 THIS HAS BEEN DIFFICULT. AND THIS IS A SYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN  
12 AROUND FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, BEFORE YOU GOT HERE. AND IT WAS  
13 TESTED THIS YEAR BECAUSE OF THE HUGE VOLUME AND THE  
14 CONSEQUENTIAL VOLUME OF INDEPENDENT VOTERS. AND I'M GLAD THAT  
15 WE'RE NOT USING THIS SYSTEM EVER AGAIN. THAT WAS A DECISION  
16 THAT WAS MADE EARLY ON IN THIS, RIGHT AFTER THE ELECTION. AND  
17 THE NEXT BEST THING IS TO COUNT AS MANY OF THE VOTES AS WE  
18 LEGALLY CAN COUNT. AND I THINK YOU'VE ACHIEVED THAT. AGAIN,  
19 THANK YOU, AND THANK THE SECRETARY OF STATE WHEN YOU TALK TO  
20 THEIR OFFICE FOR THEIR COOPERATION.

21

22 **DEAN LOGAN:** THANK YOU.

23



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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAY I HAVE JUST ONE OTHER BREAKDOWN ON  
2    THAT? WHEN YOU GET THAT NUMBER, THAT ESTIMATED 12,500, COULD  
3    YOU BRING BREAK IT DOWN BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT?

4

5    **DEAN LOGAN:** CERTAINLY.

6

7    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?  
8    ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK? AND  
9    WE KNOW THAT THIS WAS NOT AGENDIZED EXCEPT UNDER REPORT BACK.

10

11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK MR. JACOBS HAS PUT IN A CARD.

12

13   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE COME FORWARD.

14

15   **RICK JACOBS:** MY NAME IS RICK JACOBS, CHAIR AND FOUNDER OF THE  
16   COURAGE CAMPAIGN. WE WITH OUR LAWYERS, STEVE REYES OF KAUFMAN  
17   AND DOWNING IDENTIFIED THIS PROBLEM BEFORE THE ELECTION, SENT  
18   A LETTER TO MR. LOGAN BEFORE THE ELECTION AND HAVE BEEN  
19   WORKING CLOSELY WITH MR. LOGAN'S OFFICE AND SUPERVISOR  
20   YAROSLAVSKY AND SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE. AS YOU PROBABLY  
21   KNOW, ABOUT 32,000 PEOPLE SIGNED A PETITION ASKING TO GET THE  
22   VOTES COUNTED. I WANT TO THANK MR. LOGAN FOR TAKING A VERY  
23   DIFFICULT SITUATION AND DOING EVERYTHING THAT REALLY HE COULD  
24   DO OR I THINK ANYBODY COULD DO TO RESTORE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE  
25   AND KNOW THAT L.A. COUNTY CARES ABOUT PEOPLE VOTING. AND I





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1 WANT TO THANK ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WHO HAS TAKEN  
2 A LEADERSHIP POSITION ON THIS FROM THE BEGINNING AND INSISTED  
3 THAT EVEN THOUGH THESE VOTES MAY NOT ALTER THE OUTCOME OF THE  
4 ELECTION, 50,000 OR 40,000 OR 60,000 VOTES IS A LOT OF VOTES.  
5 AND, SUPERVISOR, YOU'VE BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT IN TRYING TO  
6 MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY AND THE STATE AND THE  
7 COUNTRY KNOW THAT THE COUNTY CARES AND IS GOING TO MAKE SURE  
8 THAT THIS IS A TRANSPARENT PROCESS.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I APPRECIATE THAT, RICK. BUT IT'S FAIR TO  
11 SAY EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD HAS BEEN FOCUSED ON THIS, AND  
12 THEY ALL SHARE THIS VIEW.

13

14 **RICK JACOBS:** WELL THEN TO ALL OF YOU. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
15 FOR THAT. AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS ALSO BEEN A LEADER ON  
16 ALL OF THESE ISSUES IN TERMS OF VOTER TRANSPARENCY. WE WOULD  
17 LIKE TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH MR. LOGAN, BOTH TO MONITOR THE  
18 COUNTING PROCESS BUT ALSO AS THE NEW BALLOT IS DEVELOPED. I'M  
19 SURE OTHER GROUPS WILL WANT TO DO THE SAME. AND AGAIN I WANT  
20 TO SAY THAT I THINK THIS IS SORT OF A MODEL, EVEN THOUGH IT  
21 WAS VERY CONTROVERSIAL. A LOT OF PEOPLE, I THINK FAIRLY SO,  
22 GOT PRETTY UPSET ABOUT THIS. IT'S BEEN A MODEL BECAUSE WE  
23 DIDN'T END UP IN COURT. WE DIDN'T END UP WITH A FIGHT. WE  
24 ENDED UP FINDING THE BEST SOLUTION POSSIBLE TO COUNT EVERY  
25 POSSIBLE VOTE. AND I THINK THAT'S KIND OF A MODEL FOR THE WAY



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1 THINGS OUGHT TO HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE AND A MODEL FOR THE WAY  
2 THE COUNTRY OUGHT TO WORK. I AM SURE THAT THERE WILL BE  
3 PROBLEMS IN THE FUTURE IN COUNTING VOTES. WE HAVE 10 MILLION  
4 PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY. IT AIN'T EASY TO COUNT VOTES. BUT YOU  
5 ALL HAVE SHOWN THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO ACCEPT AND EMBRACE  
6 PUBLIC INPUT. AND AGAIN, I THINK MR. LOGAN HAS SHOWN THE SAME.  
7 AND SO I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT AND TELL YOU THAT WE  
8 LOOK FORWARD TO COOPERATING AND WORKING WITH YOU IN THE  
9 FUTURE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, RICK, FOR YOUR HELP AND  
12 COOPERATION AND YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL. IT'S BEEN VERY HELPFUL.  
13 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. I KNOW THE  
14 REGISTRAR'S OFFICE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOU, AND OTHERS,  
15 IN AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT WAY. THAT'S THE ONLY WAY TO DO  
16 THIS. THANK YOU.

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18 **RICK JACOBS:** THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST NOTE AND FILE THE REGISTRAR'S  
23 REPORT. THAT'S APPROPRIATE.

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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR  
2    ANTONOVICH. BUT BEFORE I DO, COULD I JUST ASK FOR A FINDING,  
3    IN ORDER FOR ME TO TAKE UP A MOTION. ORDINARILY IT WOULD BE  
4    FOR A REWARD. BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU CANNOT HAVE A REWARD  
5    UNTIL A PERSON HAS BEEN DETERMINED A HOMICIDE VICTIM. AND IN  
6    THIS CASE, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS HAS NOT BEEN  
7    IDENTIFIED THAT THIS PERSON IS A HOMICIDE VICTIM, IT WOULD BE  
8    NECESSARY FOR US SIMPLY TO HAVE A MOTION TO PUBLISH NOTICES OR  
9    TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY WHERE HE IS. ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH,  
10   2008, REVEREND CHARLES LANIER WAS LAST SEEN IN THE AFTERNOON  
11   AT HIS APARTMENT IN SAN DIEGO. POLICE INVESTIGATION INDICATES  
12   HE LATER MADE A TRIP INTO MEXICO. POLICE BELIEVE THAT HE  
13   PARKED HIS 2007 BLACK 4-DOOR CADILLAC C.T.S. AT THE  
14   CALIFORNIA-TIJUANA BORDER AND THEN VOLUNTARILY WALKED INTO  
15   TIJUANA. PEOPLE THINK HE MIGHT BE IN MEXICO BUT ARE UNSURE  
16   ABOUT HIS WHEREABOUTS OR HIS PHYSICAL WELL-BEING. HIS VEHICLE  
17   WAS RECOVERED SIX DAYS LATER, FEBRUARY 21ST, FROM THE U.S.  
18   SIDE BORDER PARKING LOT. CHARLES LANIER, 51, IS A REVEREND OF  
19   THE UNITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, WHICH IS IN SAN DIEGO. HE IS ALSO  
20   THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES BASED  
21   MINORITIES AIDS PROJECT. REVEREND LANIER HE IS AN AFRICAN-  
22   AMERICAN MALE, 5'11", WEIGHS 215 POUNDS. AND WE'RE ASKING THAT  
23   IN LIEU OF A REWARD BECAUSE WE ARE NOT ABLE TO DO THAT, TO  
24   INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS TO PUBLISH A NOTICE REQUESTING  
25   PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE REVEREND



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1 CHARLES LANIER'S WHEREABOUTS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, FIRST OF ALL  
2 THAT THEY HAVE DETERMINED THAT THIS IS AN URGENCY FOR US TO  
3 TAKE UP, AND THEN WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THEN ON  
4 THE REQUEST, IT'S NOT A REWARD, IT'S A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.  
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 2?

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 2 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT  
10 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING ON VESTING  
11 TENTATIVE TRACT MAP CASE NUMBER 53819-(5) AND FINAL  
12 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT LOCATED WEST OF SAN FRANCISQUITO  
13 CANYON ROAD BETWEEN LOWRIDGE PLACE AND CHEROKEE CANYON LANE,  
14 NORTH OF COPPER HILL DRIVE IN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA,  
15 CASTAIC CANYON ZONE DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY JAMES EMERSON. NO  
16 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER, BUT I BELIEVE THAT  
17 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.

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19 **ALEJANDRINA BALDWIN:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, AND MEMBERS  
20 OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ALEJANDRINA BALDWIN, AND I'M A  
21 PRINCIPAL REGIONAL PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
22 PLANNING. I HAVE WITH ME TODAY SUSAN TAE FROM REGIONAL  
23 PLANNING, PAUL MCCARTHY FROM REGIONAL PLANNING, AND DENNIS  
24 HUNTER FROM PUBLIC WORKS. WHAT WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD ON  
25 MARCH 27TH, 2007, PUBLIC HEARING WAS AN APPROVED CLUSTERED



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1 SUBDIVISION OF 52 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS ON AN 185.5-ACRE PROJECT  
2 SITE CONSISTING OF 80 PERCENT OPEN SPACE. DURING THE MARCH  
3 27TH, 2007 PUBLIC HEARING, THE BOARD DIRECTED THE APPLICANT TO  
4 REDESIGN THE PROJECT AND CONTINUED THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE  
5 REVISED MAP REFLECTS A REDUCTION IN SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS FROM 45  
6 TO 41 AND A REDUCTION OF PROJECT OPEN SPACE FROM 77 TO 70  
7 PERCENT. THE PROPOSED GRADING WAS ALSO REDUCED BY 35,000 CUBIC  
8 YARDS. AS DIRECTED BY THE BOARD, ALL SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS HAVE  
9 BEEN REDESIGNED TO A MINIMUM ONE ACRE. AS DIRECTED BY THE  
10 BOARD, THE STAFF AND THE APPLICANT HAVE VERIFIED THE ACCESS TO  
11 AN INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY AS TESTIFIED BY MR. VISCOM AT THE LAST  
12 BOARD MEETING IS ALREADY PROVIDED BY DEDICATIONS TO THE  
13 COUNTY. THE COMPARATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE E.I.R.  
14 CONCLUDED THAT THE PROJECT CHANGES DID NOT WARRANT  
15 RECIRCULATION OF THE E.I.R. AS CERTIFIED BY THE COMMISSION.  
16 THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION AND STAFF IS AVAILABLE TO  
17 ANSWER QUESTIONS.

18  
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST TO REFRESH THIS ONE, THE AREA -- LET'S  
20 SEE, THE GENERAL PLAN AND THE ZONING DESIGNATIONS FOR THE  
21 PROPERTY ALLOW 60 HOMES AND THEN THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
22 REDUCED IT TO 41 HOMES? AND THEN WE HAD THE PUBLIC HEARING,  
23 AND AT THAT TIME I SUGGESTED THAT THE LOT SIZES BE INCREASED  
24 TO ONE-ACRE LOTS BECAUSE I THOUGHT THE LOTS WERE TOO SMALL AND  
25 THE DENSITY WAS STILL TOO HIGH. SO THAT'S BASICALLY WHERE WE



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1 ARE. AND NOW THE LOTS HAVE BEEN REDESIGNED, AS I UNDERSTAND,  
2 IS THAT CORRECT?

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4 **ALEJANDRINA BALDWIN:** CORRECT. THE LOTS AT THE COMMISSION WERE  
5 REDUCED FROM 56 AND APPROVED 52 LOTS. AND NOW THEY HAVE BEEN  
6 REDUCED TO 41.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET ME FIRST CALL UP ORLANDO PENA AND  
9 RAY PEARL?

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11 **RAY PEARL:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS RAY PEARL,  
12 VICE PRESIDENT OF SUN CAL COMPANIES. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE  
13 BACK BEFORE YOUR HONORABLE BOARD WITH TRACT 53189. AS YOU MAY  
14 RECALL, THIS TENTATIVE MAP WAS ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED TO THE  
15 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING WITH A LAND PLAN CONSISTENT  
16 WITH THE PROPERTY ZONING OF 60 LOTS RANGING FROM 10,000 SQUARE  
17 FEET TO OVER ONE ACRE IN SIZE. AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S  
18 REQUEST, THE MAP WAS REDESIGNED FOR A TOTAL OF 45 LOTS WITH  
19 LOT SIZE RANGING FROM 15,000 SQUARE FEET TO OVER ONE ACRE. THE  
20 PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED THE 45-LOT LAYOUT BY A 5-0 VOTE  
21 ON DECEMBER 13TH, 2006. ON MARCH 27TH OF LAST YEAR YOUR BOARD  
22 HEARD AN APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL. AND ON  
23 THE MOTION OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ASKED THAT WE REVISE THE  
24 TRACT TO ACHIEVE ONE-ACRE MINIMUM LOT SIZES. THE MAP BEFORE  
25 YOU TODAY TOTALS 41 LOTS, 30 PERCENT FEWER LOTS THAN OTHERWISE





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1 ALLOWED BY THE PROPERTY ZONING, SETS ASIDE 70 PERCENT OF THE  
2 REAL PROPERTY AS PERMANENT OPEN SPACE, INCORPORATES RURAL ROAD  
3 STANDARDS AS THE COMMUNITY ASKED US TO, PRESERVES THE ON-SITE  
4 CHERRY WOODLANDS, CONTINUES THE COUNTY'S EQUESTRIAN TRAIL  
5 SYSTEM THROUGH THE SITE, AND PROVIDES 100 PERCENT EQUESTRIAN  
6 SIZED ONE ACRE MINIMUM LOTS PER YOUR BOARD'S DIRECTION.  
7 FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THE RECORD BEFORE YOU REFLECTS  
8 OVER 50 LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR THIS  
9 DEVELOPMENT. I THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE  
10 STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL, AND AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY OF  
11 YOUR QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

14

15 **ORLANDO PENA:** YEAH, MY NAME IS ORLANDO PENA AND I'VE BEEN  
16 LIVING IN THE SAN FRANCISQUITO CANYON SINCE 1978. AND I'M FOR  
17 THE PROJECT. ONE OF THE REASONS THAT THIS PROJECT IS GOING TO  
18 HELP OUR COMMUNITY IS THAT FOR THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE ACROSS THE  
19 WASH, IF YOU'RE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA, THERE'S A 400-FEET  
20 WASH THAT GOES ALONG SAN FRANCISQUITO CANYON AND WE ALL HAPPEN  
21 TO LIVE IN THE OTHER SIDE. BUT THIS PROJECT BEING ACCEPTED IS  
22 GOING TO PROVIDE ACCESS OUT OF THE AREA FOR AT LEAST 10  
23 FAMILIES THAT ARE BACK THERE. AND EVERYBODY IS BACK THERE,  
24 INCLUDING MY MOM, THEY ARE ALL OVER 70 YEARS OLD. THAT'S WHY  
25 SOME OF THEM DO NOT ATTEND THE MEETING. MANY OF THE COMPLAINT



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1 THAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IS FOR NEIGHBORS THAT LIVE ACROSS THE  
2 STREET. OF COURSE THEY HAVE AN ACCESS TO COME IN AND OUT ALL  
3 THE TIME. AND ALSO BECAUSE OF RECENT STORMS, YOU CANNOT DO ANY  
4 BUILDING OR ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS ON THE ACREAGE BACK THERE,  
5 WHICH MOST ALL OF THEM ARE 20-ACRE LOTS. THERE'S NO BUILDING,  
6 ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN DO TO MOVE IN WITH A FAMILY OR ENLARGE  
7 THE HOUSE JUST BECAUSE OF THE WASH. AND I THINK THE  
8 DEVELOPMENT CAN HELP OUT FOR ACCESS IN AND OUT OF THE PROPERTY  
9 AND MAKES IT A LITTLE BIT OF LIVING BACK THERE SINCE IT'S KIND  
10 OF TOUGH WHEN IT RAINS OUT. I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE TO SAY.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT ON THAT. OKAY, THANK  
13 YOU. LET ME CALL UP SHERRIE STORLARIK, TERESA MASON, GARY  
14 MASON, AND LYNNE PLAMBECK.

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16 **SHERRIE STOLARIK:** HELLO, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY  
17 NAME IS SHERRIE STOLARIK, I AM WITH THE SAN FRANCISQUITO  
18 CANYON PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT SUN  
19 CAL HAS REDESIGNED THEIR PROJECT TO INCORPORATE A MINIMUM OF  
20 ONE-ACRE LOTS. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
21 STANDARDS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THIS DESIGN WITH NO CURBS  
22 OR SIDEWALKS AND THAT ALL LOTS WILL RETAIN THE RIGHT TO OWN  
23 AND RIDE HORSES ONTO ADJACENT PATHWAYS FROM EACH LOT TO THE  
24 REGIONAL TRAIL SYSTEM. WITH NEW HORSE RANCHES WITHIN THE  
25 CANYON, FUTURE FAMILIES OWNING HORSES MAY RIDE TO THESE



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1 FACILITIES TO TAKE RIDING LESSONS WITH THEIR CHILDREN, JOIN  
2 THE CALIFORNIA RANGERS PROGRAM, CORRAL 77 OF EQUESTRIAN  
3 TRAILS. VOLUNTEER FOR MOUNTED POSSE PATROL OR JUST JOIN  
4 FRIENDS TO TAKE A HIKE OR RIDE IN THE CANYON. WE ARE THANKFUL  
5 TO YOU FOR THAT AND THE SANTA CLARITA TRAILS ADVISORY  
6 COMMITTEE. OUR PROPOSED COMMUNITY STANDARDS ARE CURRENTLY WITH  
7 THE COUNTY FOR REVIEW. WE HAVE MANY RESIDENTS FROM THE CANYON  
8 THAT WISH TO PROHIBIT LESS THAN TWO-ACRE MINIMUM SO AS TO  
9 ENSURE THAT THE RURAL EQUESTRIAN NATURE OF THIS CANYON IS  
10 PRESERVED. WE STILL HOPE THAT SOME LOTS CLOSER TO TWO ACRES  
11 WILL BE INCORPORATED TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY STANDARDS WITHIN  
12 THE CANYON. AGAIN WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR PATIENCE,  
13 YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OUR RURAL HOMELAND AND MOST OF ALL THE  
14 PRESERVATION OF THE EQUESTRIAN LIFESTYLE THAT WELCOMES HORSES  
15 AND FUTURE OWNERS BY PROVIDING HOMES AND RECREATIONAL OUTLETS  
16 FOR THIS RURAL HORSE-ORIENTED COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

17  
18 **TERESA MASON:** I'M TERESA MASON. I'M GRATEFUL TO BE HERE. I AM  
19 THRILLED THAT WE ARE STILL BEING LISTENED TO. I AM HERE TO  
20 REBUTTAL WHAT STILL IS GOING ON. LAST YEAR THEY WERE TOLD TO  
21 START AT A MINIMUM ONE ACRE. TODAY THEY CLAIM THAT THEY ARE AT  
22 A MINIMUM ONE ACRE. THERE'S AN INTERPRETATION PROBLEM HERE. WE  
23 HEARD START AT ONE ACRE. WE THOUGHT THAT MEANT START AND  
24 POSSIBLY GO HIGHER. THEY STARTED AND HAVE GONE LOWER. THERE  
25 ARE A FEW ONE-ACRE PIECES, BUT THEY ARE NOT ALL ONE-ACRE



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1   PIECES. OUR LIFESTYLE THERE IS A RURAL LIFESTYLE. MOST OUR  
2   PROPERTY PARCELS ARE 5 ACRES ON UP TO 10, 20, 40 AND GREATER  
3   PIECES. WE FELT WE WERE BEING -- ARE TRYING TO BE AGREEABLE OR  
4   MEET THEM IN THE MIDDLE AT THE TWO-ACRE MINIMUM, WHICH IS  
5   REQUIRED OF THEM. WE WERE STILL PLEASED LAST YEAR THAT THEY  
6   WERE ASKED TO START AT ONE ACRE MINIMUM. THAT WAS MUCH BETTER  
7   THAN THE 10,000 SQUARE FOOT LOTS THAT THEY HAD BEGUN WITH TWO  
8   YEARS PRIOR. BUT, AGAIN, THEY ARE NOT AT ONE ACRE. ALL WE SEE  
9   IS IF THEY ARE APPROVED AT THIS, THEY ARE OPENING UP THE  
10   CANYON TO BECOME A SUBURBIAL AREA AND NOT A RURAL AREA. WE ARE  
11   HERE FIGHTING AND PLEADING TO SAVE OUR LIFESTYLE.

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. IS GARY HERE?

14

15   **TERESA MASON:** YES, HE IS.

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GARY MASON. LYNNE PLAMBECK. I WILL CALL UP  
18   FOUR AT A TIME.

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20   **TERESA MASON:** HE SAYS HE WON'T BE TALKING TODAY.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LISA FIMIANI. TERESA SAVAIKIE. WINIFRED  
23   BOREN. ONE MOMENT. JUDY REINSMA. DAN COOPER?

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1    **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** OKAY. MY NAME'S LYNNE PLAMBECK. I'M HERE  
2    REPRESENTING SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE  
3    ENVIRONMENT. I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT THE CONCERNS OF THE  
4    NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION COMMITTEE. WE'VE OPPOSED PROJECTS  
5    THAT DON'T STAY OUT OF THE SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA, WHICH  
6    IS SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK. IT IS NOT JUST A WASH. IT'S THE  
7    S.E.A., IT'S THE SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA. WE WOULD LIKE TO  
8    SEE THESE PROJECTS MOVED OUT OF THAT AREA AND THE S.E.A.  
9    RESPECTED. ALSO, A LOT OF COMMUNITIES IN THE SANTA CLARITA  
10   VALLEY ARE TRYING TO DEVELOP OR HAVE DEVELOPED COMMUNITY  
11   STANDARDS DISTRICTS IN THE HOPES THAT THEIR LIFESTYLE AND  
12   THEIR HOMES THAT THEY HAVE LIVED IN FOR A LONG TIME WILL BE  
13   RESPECTED. AND THEN IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S ALWAYS A BATTLE TO  
14   GET THE COUNTY TO RESPECT THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICTS.  
15   BUT I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH, I KNOW THAT  
16   YOU ARE ANXIOUS TO WORK WITH HORSE PEOPLE AND THAT YOU'VE GONE  
17   OUT RIDING A LOT AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE, THAT YOU WOULD  
18   ALLOW THIS PROJECT TO BE DELAYED UNTIL THEY GET THEIR  
19   COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT COMPLETED. SUN CAL HAS A LOT OF  
20   DEVELOPMENT OUT IN THAT AREA THAT THEY'RE ALREADY DOING THAT  
21   ARE LARGER DEVELOPMENTS. IT SEEMS LIKE THIS ONE COULD JUST  
22   WAIT A COUPLE MORE MONTHS OR WHATEVER IT TAKES FOR THEIR  
23   COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT TO GET COMPLETED AND THEN SEE IF  
24   IT COULDN'T BE MORE COMPATIBLY INTERTWINED WITH WHAT THEY WANT  
25   TO DO OUT THERE. I SEE THIS MARCH OF SUBURBAN SPRAWL GOING OUT



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1 AND HURTING ALL THESE PEOPLE THAT HAVE LIVED IN THESE PLACES  
2 FOR 30 YEARS. AND IT JUST SEEMS LIKE THERE'S GOT TO BE A WAY.  
3 IT'S NOT GOOD FOR US AS A SOCIETY TO DO IT BECAUSE WE HAVE  
4 FIRE HAZARDS OUT THERE AND WE HAVE ALL THESE PROBLEMS. IT'S  
5 NOT GOOD TO PUT A LOT OF HOUSES OUT THERE. IF WE GET THE  
6 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DONE, THAT MIGHT BE A WAY OF ADDRESSING  
7 THE ISSUE. SO I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK THAT THIS AT LEAST GET  
8 DELAYED UNTIL THEY GET THEIR DISTRICT COMPLETED. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. WHICHEVER.

11

12 **JUDY REINSMA:** MY NAME IS JUDY REINSMA. MADAME CHAIRMAN,  
13 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IN A PERFECT WORLD, WE WOULD NOT BE HERE  
14 ASKING YOU THAT YOU REQUIRE A DEVELOPER TO DO THE RIGHT THING  
15 AND RESPECT THE UNIQUE CHARACTER OF THE AREA HE PLANS TO BUILD  
16 IN. WE ARE EXTREMELY PLEASED THAT OUR SUPERVISOR, MICHAEL  
17 ANTONOVICH, REQUESTED THAT EVERY HOME SITE IN THIS PROJECT BE  
18 A MINIMUM OF ONE ACRE. HIS ONGOING CONCERN AND INTEREST IN OUR  
19 SITUATION ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED. WE STILL HAVE HOPES THAT  
20 THE DEVELOPER WILL AT LEAST TRANSITION TO LARGER ACREAGE WHERE  
21 THE PROJECT ADJOINS 10 AND 20-ACRE ACTIVELY USED EQUESTRIAN  
22 PROPERTIES. CURRENTLY ONE DEVELOPER HAS CHOSEN SAN  
23 FRANCISQUITO CANYON FOR HIS OWN FAMILY HOME. HE PURCHASED 20  
24 ACRES WHICH HE EASILY COULD HAVE BROKEN INTO SEVERAL RANCH  
25 PROPERTIES. HE CHOSE, INSTEAD, TO KEEP THE PROPERTY WHOLE AND





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1 HAS PUT A HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY INTO GRADING AND SITE  
2 DEVELOPMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT ANOTHER COMPANY RECENTLY FILED  
3 PRELIMINARY PLANS TO DEVELOP A LARGE PARCEL OF PROPERTY WITH  
4 5-ACRE LOTS, MORE THAN RESPECTING OUR COMMUNITY, THESE  
5 PROJECTS WILL ENHANCE IT. THESE EXPERIENCED BUSINESSMEN WOULD  
6 NOT DO THIS IF THEY DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE CANYON WAS  
7 DESTINED TO REMAIN A DESIRABLE RURAL COMMUNITY, AND THAT  
8 LARGER ACREAGE DEVELOPMENT WAS A GOOD INVESTMENT. SUN CAL  
9 COULD DO THE SAME, MAKE A PROFIT AS WELL AS RESPECT OUR  
10 COMMUNITY. IN THE GRAND SCHEME OF THINGS, IN LOS ANGELES  
11 COUNTY, OUR CONCERNS CERTAINLY ARE NOT CRITICAL. HOWEVER, TO  
12 THOSE OF US WHO WILL RETURN TO OUR RURAL HOMES AFTER THIS  
13 MEETING, THEY'RE PARAMOUNT. SO ONCE AGAIN, WE COME TO YOU  
14 TODAY ASKING THAT YOU USE YOUR POWER AS OUR ELECTED  
15 REPRESENTATIVES TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT OUR SMALL RURAL CANYON  
16 FROM A DEVELOPMENT THAT'S STILL, AFTER ALL THIS TIME, DOES NOT  
17 DO THAT. THANK YOU.

18  
19 **WINIFRED BOREN:** I'M WINIFRED BOREN. I LIVE AT 23105 SHAWNEE  
20 COURT ON A FIVE-ACRE PARCEL WHICH BORDERS THE EASTERN SAN  
21 FRANCISQUITO CANYON ROAD DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM THIS PROPOSED  
22 SUN CAL DEVELOPMENT. OF COURSE, THE WASH, THE SAN FRANCISQUITO  
23 CANYON CREEK, IS RIGHT THERE IN THE MIDDLE. MY HUSBAND AND I  
24 HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE CANYON FOR THE PAST 23 YEARS. WHAT  
25 CONCERNS US IS THE MINIMUM SIZES OF LESS THAN TWO, THE ONE



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1 ACRE PER PARCEL RECOMMENDED BY OUR SUPERVISOR, MIKE  
2 ANTONOVICH. THESE HAVEN'T BEEN COMPLETELY COMPLIED WITH ON THE  
3 PRESENT MAP. WE APPRECIATE THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
4 RECOMMENDED IN HIS PRESS RELEASE IN FEBRUARY 26TH, 2003, A  
5 PLEDGE TO HELP KEEP OUR SAN FRANCISQUITO CANYON'S RURAL  
6 CHARACTER. THIS PRESENT SUN CAL PROJECT DOESN'T QUITE PROVIDE  
7 THIS HARMONIOUS TRANSITION NORTHWARD WITH THE ADJACENT PARCELS  
8 OF 10 AND 20-ACRE SIZE BECAUSE THEY HAVE MULTIPLE LIVESTOCK  
9 USES, AS WELL. THE TRANSITION SHOULD BE, I FEEL, A MINIMUM OF  
10 2 ACRES, ESPECIALLY IN THAT AREA WHERE THEY ARE ADJACENT TO  
11 THE LARGER PARCELS. I JUST WANTED TO MENTION THAT OUR CANYON  
12 RESIDENTS ARE A CLOSELY KNIT NEIGHBORHOOD TYPE OF COMMUNITY.  
13 WE WANT TO BE GOOD NEIGHBORS AND FOSTER THE BEST OF FEELINGS  
14 WITH ALL OUR NEW RESIDENTS, BUT THIS PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WITH  
15 ITS INCREASED DENSITY AND SMALLER PARCELS WILL GREATLY IMPACT  
16 THIS PEACEFUL RURAL QUALITY OF LIFE THAT WE PRESENTLY ENJOY.  
17 THERE ARE 30 HORSE PROPERTIES IN OUR CANYON AND FOUR LARGE  
18 EQUESTRIAN BUSINESS FACILITIES THAT WILL WANT TO CONTINUE  
19 SERVING OUR COMMUNITY, THE GREATER SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. AND  
20 WE ASK YOU TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PARCELS FURTHER AND INCREASE  
21 THEIR SIZE. WE WANT TO CONTINUE BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS TO ALL  
22 THAT COME INTO OUR CANYON AND APPRECIATE ALL THESE NEW ACCESS  
23 ROADS THAT SUN CAL PROJECT WILL PROVIDE. BUT WE DON'T WANT A  
24 CLEAR CHANGE, A RADICAL CHANGE FROM RURAL TO URBAN IN OUR  
25 CANYON.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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4 **LISA FIMIANI:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LISA FIMIANI AND I AM ON THE  
5 BOARD OF LOS ANGELES AUDUBON SOCIETY, AS WELL AS THE FRIENDS  
6 OF BALLONA WETLANDS. I COME UP AND VISIT FRIENDS UP IN THIS  
7 AREA QUITE OFTEN. AND ONE OF THE THEMES I SEE PLAYING OVER AND  
8 OVER AGAIN OVER THE LAST EIGHT YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN UP IN THE  
9 AREA IS THE SUBURBANIZATION OF WHAT'S LEFT OF OUR WATERSHED,  
10 THE LAST FREE FLOWING RIVER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND MY  
11 CONCERN IN THIS DEVELOPMENT SITE IS THAT ONCE AGAIN, MORE WILD  
12 LAND WILL BE ENCROACHED UPON. AND I'M HAUNTED BY A MEMORY THAT  
13 WAS SHARED WITH ME BY ONE OF THE ENVIRONMENTALISTS WHO IS  
14 TRYING TO PROTECT WHAT'S LEFT UP HERE, AND THAT IS WHEN SAN  
15 FRANCISQUITO RIVER, CREEK, WAS BEING STABILIZED, WHICH WILL  
16 HAPPEN WITH THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT SITE, IT WILL GO UP FARTHER  
17 UP THE RIVER, THE SOUND OF FROGS COULD BE HEARD UNDERNEATH THE  
18 RIPRAP. THEY WERE ENTOMBED. AND I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT  
19 THIS HAPPENING ANYMORE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOS ANGELES  
20 AUDUBON AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. THIS IS NOT  
21 WHAT WE WANT TO DO TO OUR WILDLIFE AND OUR HABITAT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. MR. COOPER?

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1   **DANIEL COOPER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
2   MY NAME IS DANIEL STEVEN COOPER. AND I'M A LIFE-LONG RESIDENT  
3   OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I GRADUATED IN SAN MARINO HIGH SCHOOL  
4   IN 1991 AND I HAVE DEGREES FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY AND  
5   UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT RIVERSIDE. I RUN MY ENVIRONMENTAL  
6   CONSULTING FIRM BASED IN L.A. COUNTY AND MY CLIENTS INCLUDE A  
7   DIVERSE GROUP OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, FOR PROFIT  
8   ORGANIZATIONS, PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS, DEVELOPERS, A WHOLE RANGE  
9   OF PEOPLE. AND I'M SPEAKING TODAY ON THE BIOTA OF THE SANTA  
10   CLARA RIVER VALLEY AND WILL DIVIDE UP MY COMMENTS BASED ON THE  
11   AGENDA ITEMS. IN 2002, I INITIATED THE SANTA CLARITA CHRISTMAS  
12   BIRD COUNT. THIS IS PART OF A NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO COUNT ALL  
13   THE INDIVIDUAL BIRDS ONCE A YEAR WITHIN COUNT CIRCLES AROUND  
14   THE UNITED STATES. AND I SAW THAT THERE WAS NO ONE COUNTING IN  
15   SANTA CLARITA, SO ABOUT 30 OF US STARTED IT ABOUT FIVE YEARS  
16   AGO. AND SINCE THEN, WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DOCUMENT SOME OF THE  
17   SPECIES THAT WINTER IN THE VALLEY. AND I'M SAD TO REPORT THAT  
18   THIS YEAR WE SPENT ALL MORNING AROUND THE VALLEY AND DIDN'T  
19   FIND A SINGLE ROADRUNNER. WE DIDN'T FIND WHITE TAILED KITE,  
20   EITHER. AND BOTH OF THESE SPECIES REQUIRE LARGE BLOCKS OF OPEN  
21   SPACE, PARTICULARLY GRASSLAND AND COASTAL SAGE SCRUB. I'M NOT  
22   SAYING THAT ROADRUNNER AND KITE ARE EXTINCT FROM THE AREA BUT  
23   THIS IS THE FIRST YEAR WE DIDN'T SEE THEM. WE ALSO DIDN'T SEE  
24   ANY BLACK-TAILED JACK RABBITS. AND THOSE OF YOU THAT GREW UP  
25   IN L.A. CAN REMEMBER THE TIME THAT JACK RABBITS WERE



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1 EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING L.A.X. AND YOU MIGHT BE SURPRISED TO  
2 LEARN THAT THEY ARE NOW EXTINCT EXCEPT FOR BIG TUJUNGA WASH.  
3 SO THAT'S A SAD COMMENTARY. THEY'RE GOING FAST IN SANTA  
4 CLARITA. AND IT'LL JUST BE A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEY'RE  
5 TOTALLY GONE. WE DON'T KNOW WHICH DEVELOPMENT WILL DO IT, BUT  
6 ONE OF THEM SURELY WILL. AND FINALLY I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT  
7 THE SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK, WHICH WE ALL CAN'T PRONOUNCE BUT  
8 WE'RE ALL TALKING ABOUT IS LAST HOLDOUT FOR CALIFORNIA RED-  
9 LEGGED FROG. THIS IS A FEDERALLY LISTED SPECIES, AND IT WAS  
10 ONCE FOUND IN THE RECORDS FROM THE L.A. RIVER IN GLENDALE  
11 GRIFFITH PARK BUT IT'S PRETTY MUCH GONE. THE SECOND TO LAST  
12 COLONY WAS AT THE SANTA ROSA PLATEAU IN WESTERN RIVERSIDE  
13 COUNTY AND THAT BLINKED OUT IN 1990S. THEY REDISCOVERED THEM  
14 IN SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK, WHICH IS EXCITING, BUT AGAIN, WHO  
15 KNOWS FOR HOW LONG. SO I'LL END MY COMMENTS HERE.

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17 **TERESA SAVAIKIE:** HI, MY NAME IS TERESA SAVAIKIE. THANK YOU FOR  
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU TODAY. JUST TALKING ABOUT  
19 SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK A LITTLE BIT. IT IS HOME TO THE LARGEST  
20 POPULATION OF RED-LEGGED FROGS ANYWHERE IN L.A. COUNTY. IT  
21 PRETTY MUCH TRUMPS AMUNDSON RANCH'S SIZE OF RED-LEGGED FROGS.  
22 WE NEED THE FROGS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A PLACE TO MIGRATE AND TO  
23 MEET AND EXCHANGE GENES AND SO FORTH. AND WE SEEM TO BE  
24 SEVERING ALL THESE ABILITIES. SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK IS ALSO  
25 HOME TO THE UNARMORED THREESpine STICKLEBACK. IT HAS ALSO BEEN



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1 DOCUMENTED THE ARROYO TOAD OCCURRING ABOVE AND BELOW THIS  
2 PROJECT, NOT JUST MIGRATING AS THE TESSORRO PROJECT HAD  
3 ORIGINALLY STATED BUT INDEED BREEDING IN THE UPPER PORTIONS OF  
4 THE SAN FRANCISQUITO AND THEN NEAR THE CONFLUENCE OF THE SANTA  
5 CLARA RIVER. THAT SECTION HAS HAD SUCH TREMENDOUS IMPACTS TOO,  
6 WITH EAST CREEK, WEST CREEK, NORTH VALENCIA ONE, THE  
7 BRIDGEPORT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, ETC., ETC. I PERSONALLY HIKE.  
8 I'VE DONE SOME AMPHIBIAN STUDIES BACK IN THAT AREA IN THE LAST  
9 FEW YEARS. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I THINK IS SO IMPORTANT  
10 FOR EVERYBODY TO UNDERSTAND THAT WHILE THESE DOCUMENTS LOOK  
11 REALLY GREAT AND THEY HAVE ALL THIS WONDERFUL MITIGATION IN  
12 THEM TO MAKE US ALL FEEL WARM AND COZY ABOUT PROTECTING THE  
13 PROJECT AREA OR THE NATURAL RESOURCES, THE TRUTH IS THERE'S  
14 NOBODY RESPONSIBLE. THERE'S NOBODY CAPABLE OF MONITORING ALL  
15 THIS FANCY MITIGATION. IT DOES NOT HAPPEN. AND INSTEAD OF JUST  
16 A FEW KIDS PLAYING WITH A FEW FROGS AND COLLECTING THEM, WE  
17 LITERALLY HAVE HUNDREDS IF NOT THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN TAKING  
18 SPECIES HOME, WHETHER IT BE FISH, LITTLE MINNOWS, THE  
19 STICKLEBACK. WHETHER IT BE RED-LEGGED FROGS OR ARROYO TOADS OR  
20 SPADEFOOT TOADS WHICH OCCUR IN THE AREA, WHICH IS A SPECIES OF  
21 CONCERN. YOU SORT OF GET THE PICTURE OVER AN AMOUNT OF TIME,  
22 THESE SPECIES CANNOT CONTINUE TO EXIST IF WE JUST CONTINUE TO  
23 APPROVE PROJECTS AND MAKE EVERYBODY FEEL WARM AND COZY AND  
24 WE'RE NOT GOING TO BACK UP AND ENFORCE MITIGATION. IT IS NOT  
25 HAPPENING ANYWHERE IN THE SANTA CLARA RIVER. WE JUST NOTED





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1 THAT THE STICKLEBACK HAVE NOW NOT BEEN FOUND ANYWHERE IN THE  
2 SANTA CLARA RIVER BETWEEN BOUQUET AND MCBEAN PARKWAY. THAT  
3 POPULATION MAY BE GONE. WE HAVE TO TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY. THIS  
4 IS NOT MY RIVER. THIS IS NOT SANTA CLARITA'S RIVER, THIS IS  
5 NOT L.A.'S RIVER. THIS IS NOT VENTURA COUNTY'S RIVER. THIS IS  
6 CALIFORNIA'S LAST MAJOR LIVING WATERSHED IN SOUTHERN  
7 CALIFORNIA, AND IT DESERVES OUR RESPECT, NOT OUR DESTRUCTION.  
8 AND ANOTHER WORD ABOUT BANK STABILIZATION IF YOU WILL, PLEASE.  
9 WE'VE HAD SEVERAL NEW PROJECTS BUILT IN THE SANTA CLARITA.  
10 THREE OF THESE ARE NEW HOMELAND AND FARMING PROJECTS. TWO OF  
11 THE THREE HAD BANK FAILURES LAST YEAR. I'M SORRY, IN THE YEAR  
12 BEFORE. AND THE TAXPAYERS ARE THE ONES THAT FOOT THE BILL TO  
13 RESTABILIZE THE BANKS, TO CONCRETE THE BANKS, TO STABILIZE THE  
14 BRIDGES, ETC., ETC. SO THIS WONDERFUL THING CALLED BURIED BANK  
15 STABILIZATION IS SORT OF A HOAX, WHICH WE ALL HAVE TO PAY FOR  
16 IN THE END BY DESTROYING THE HABITAT AND GETTING THE POCKETS  
17 OF THE L.A. COUNTY TAXPAYERS. THE OPEN SPACE IS PROBABLY SAN  
18 FRANCISQUITO'S FLOOD PLAIN BOTTOM. THEY CAN'T BUILD ON IT  
19 ANYWAY. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE COUNTY CODE TO HAVING AN  
22 EQUESTRIAN STABLE IS, WHAT, 15,000 SQUARE FEET?

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24 **SPEAKER:** THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR A LOT TO ACCOMMODATE  
25 HORSES IS 15,000 SQUARE FEET. SO IF THEY HAD AN ACRE, THEY



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1 WOULD BE ALLOWED TO HAVE EIGHT HORSES OR GOATS OR COWS OR  
2 COMBINATION THEREOF.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THIS PROPOSAL, WE'RE LOOKING AT EACH OF  
5 THE HOMES HAVING A MINIMUM OF 43,000?

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7 **SPEAKER:** YES, THAT WOULD BE AN ACRE, SIR. AND THAT WOULD ALLOW  
8 THEM THE COMBINATION OF EIGHT OF THESE LARGE ANIMALS.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE PROPOSED TRAILS WOULD BE EXPANDED? OR  
11 THE TRAILS WILL BE EXPANDED FROM THIS PROJECT?

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13 **SPEAKER:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE TRAILS WILL BE EXPANDED.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE AMOUNT OF OPEN SPACE IS WHAT?  
16 APPROXIMATELY.

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18 **SPEAKER:** THE OPEN SPACE IS 70 PERCENT OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME OF THE POINTS THAT WERE MADE BY THOSE  
21 WHO WERE TESTIFYING RELATIVE TO LOT SIZE, LET ME SAY THAT THEY  
22 RAISED SOME RELEVANT POINTS. AND I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THIS  
23 FOLLOWING MOTION TO INCLUDE SOME OF THOSE POINTS. "THAT THE  
24 BOARD, BASED UPON THE EXISTING DEVELOPMENT PATTERN, THAT THE  
25 SEVEN NORTHERNMOST LOTS WITH TRACT 53189 BE COMBINED TO CREATE



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1 THREE NEW LOTS THAT ARE MINIMUM TWO ACRES IN SIZE. SO WE ARE  
2 GOING TO REDUCE THE DENSITY AGAIN. AND I WOULD MOVE THAT THE  
3 BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, CERTIFY THE FINAL E.I.R., AND  
4 ADOPT THE ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM  
5 AND THE STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS DIRECTING  
6 COUNSEL TO PREPARE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS THAT REDUCE THE  
7 PROJECT'S TO 37 LOTS BY COMBINING EXISTING LOTS 11 AND 12 INTO  
8 ONE LOT, COMBINING EXISTING LOTS, 13, 14, 15, 16, AND 17 INTO  
9 TWO SEPARATE LOTS WITH NEW LOTS TO BE A MINIMUM OF TWO ACRES  
10 IN SIZE." AND THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION, MADAME CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
13 ORDERED.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 3 THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING  
18 ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 03-249-(5), OAK TREE  
19 PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2005-00051-(5) AND VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT  
20 MAP NUMBER 060259-(5), AND FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT,  
21 LOCATED ON THE NORTHEASTERLY EXTENSION OF SHADOW PINES  
22 BOULEVARD, EAST OF SNOW DROP COURT AND JASMINE VALLEY DRIVE IN  
23 THE UNINCORPORATED SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, NORTH OF THE CITY OF  
24 SANTA CLARITA, SOLEDAD ZONED DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY SYNERGY



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1 BROOKFIELD L.L.C. THERE WAS CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED ON THIS  
2 MATTER, AND I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.

3

4 **SUSAN TAE:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
5 MY NAME IS SUSAN TAE, AND I'M A SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER  
6 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. I HAVE WITH ME THIS  
7 MORNING MR. DENNIS HUNTER FROM PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL AS PAUL  
8 MCCARTHY FROM REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROJECT BEFORE YOU THIS  
9 MORNING IS A RESIDENTIAL HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT OF 492 SINGLE-  
10 FAMILY HOMES AS WELL AS OPEN SPACE LOTS AND PUBLIC FACILITY  
11 LOTS. THE PROJECT INCLUDES A 16-ACRE PUBLIC PARK THAT WILL  
12 PROVIDE ACTIVE RECREATION, INCLUDING SOCCER, BASEBALL AND  
13 BASKETBALL, AS WELL AS AN ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND, COMMUNITY  
14 BUILDING AND PICNIC AREAS. A 2-1/2 MILE LONG JOINT-USE TRAIL  
15 FOR BICYCLES AND HIKERS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED FROM WITHIN THE  
16 CITY OF SANTA CLARITA TO THE SOUTH TO CONNECT TO THIS PUBLIC  
17 PARK. PAVED ACCESS TO THE NORTH OF THE PROJECT WILL ALSO BE  
18 PROVIDED AS EMERGENCY ACCESS. THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF A  
19 TENTATIVE MAP AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR HILLSIDE  
20 MANAGEMENT, DENSITY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT AND PROJECT GRADING AN  
21 OAK TREE PERMIT WAS ALSO FILED FOR THE REMOVAL OF 72 OAK TREES  
22 AS WELL AS ENCROACHMENT INTO THE PROTECTED ZONE OF 71 OAKS.  
23 NONE OF THE OAK TREES IMPACTED ARE HERITAGE OAKS. THIS PROJECT  
24 WAS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON JUNE 6TH,  
25 2007. A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WAS ALSO CERTIFIED



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1 AS WELL AS ADOPTION OF A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING  
2 CONSIDERATIONS FOR SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS THAT COULD NOT BE  
3 MITIGATED TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF'S  
4 PRESENTATION AND IS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET ME CALL UP GAIL KOPP. DAVE CARTER.  
7 PRESTON DAVIS. BRAD THORNTON. AND THEN THE LAST ONE WILL BE  
8 RICK DOREMUS.

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10 **GAIL KOPP:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS GAIL KOPP, AND I'M A  
11 BROKER ASSOCIATE WITH REALITY EXECUTIVES IN CANYON COUNTRY.  
12 AND I'M IN FAVOR OF THIS PROJECT. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT IN  
13 SANTA CLARITA SINCE 1965. THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY HAS  
14 PROVIDED A WILL-SERVE LETTER FOR THE PROJECT. THEY ARE THE  
15 APPROPRIATE PROFESSIONALS TO MAKE THIS DETERMINATION. THIS  
16 PROJECT WILL PRESERVE 250 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE, DELIVER A 16-  
17 ACRE PUBLIC PARK WITH HANDICAP ACCESS. THE NEW ROAD AND BRIDGE  
18 WILL HELP CURTAIL THE POLLUTION OF THE RIVER BED FROM THE  
19 DAILY TRAFFIC AND NIGHTLY DUMPING OF TRASH IN THAT RIVER BED.  
20 THE RESIDENTS IN THIS RURAL AREA ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE  
21 IMPROVEMENTS. PLEASE CONSIDER THE IMPROVEMENTS THE PROJECT  
22 WILL BRING TO THE COUNTY AND TO CANYON COUNTRY AND SUPPORT OUR  
23 PLACE. THANK YOU.

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1   **DAVE CARTER:** HI, MY NAME IS DAVE CARTER AND I LIVE BACK THERE  
2   IN TICK CANYON AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT. IT WILL  
3   IMPROVE OUR ROAD THAT'S CONSTANTLY BEING ERODED AWAY BY THE  
4   RAIN AND WEATHER AND EVERYTHING ELSE. APPROXIMATELY THE LAST  
5   THREE WEEKS THERE'S BEEN DUMPING PROBABLY ONCE A WEEK OR SO.  
6   THE LAST TIME THERE WAS SOME DUMPING GOING ON WAS LAST NIGHT  
7   ABOUT 9:00 LAST NIGHT. I WAS DRIVING BACK IN THE CANYON AND A  
8   STRANGE TRUCK WAS DRIVING OUT. AND I KIND OF TURNED AROUND AND  
9   FOLLOWED IT AND CONFRONTED THE PEOPLE. AND THEY'VE BEEN  
10   DUMPING ROOFING MATERIALS. WELL, I TOLD THEM I HAD THEIR  
11   LICENSE NUMBER AND I'M CALLING THE POLICE. AND THEY SAID WELL,  
12   OKAY, WE'LL GO BACK AND PICK IT UP. BUT WHAT HAPPENS IS, THEY  
13   PICK UP 75 PERCENT OF IT AND THEY DUMP IT RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE  
14   OF THE ROAD. NOW EVEN IF THEY PICKED UP ALL OF IT, THIS  
15   ROOFING MATERIAL IS LEAVING NAILS. AND THEN MOST PEOPLE GET ON  
16   THE FREEWAY AND THAT COULD BE A BAD SITUATION OF A FLAT TIRE.  
17   EVERY COUPLE OF WEEKS OR MONTHS, MY SON AND I DRIVE DOWN THE  
18   ROAD AND WE JUST PICK UP ALL THE CANS JUST TO RECYCLE. IF WE  
19   CAN PICK UP 100 CANS, THAT'S \$4 OR \$5 THAT WE KIND OF CLEAN UP  
20   AND SAVE. SANTA CLARITA HAS A SHORTAGE OF PARKS AND THE  
21   DEVELOPER IS GOING TO BUILD A PARK, APPROXIMATELY 16 ACRES IN  
22   SIZE. AND THAT'S GOING TO BE GREAT, BECAUSE THAT WILL BE RIGHT  
23   DOWN THE ROAD FROM US, AND ANOTHER PARK IS GREAT. DRIVING  
24   THROUGH THE WASH POLLUTES IT BECAUSE OF THINGS FROM VEHICLES.  
25   IT WETS THE TIRES AND RIGHT AT THE BASE OF OUR ASPHALT ROAD IS





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1 WHERE THIS RUSH IS. AND IT'S DIFFICULT. I DRIVE A PICKUP  
2 TRUCK. A LOT OF PEOPLE DRIVE TRUCKS. AND THERE'S NO WEIGHT IN  
3 IT. SOMETIMES IT'S HARD GOING UP THE ROAD. IT SPINS THE TIRES  
4 AND EVERYTHING. THERE'S PEOPLE THAT GO JOY RIDING BACK THERE.  
5 AND PROBABLY A MONTH OR TWO AGO THERE WAS A CAR THAT WAS  
6 ABANDONED THERE. IT SAT THERE FOR OVER A MONTH UNTIL IT WAS  
7 TOWED AWAY. I MEAN, IT WAS JUST THRASHED. BUT I SPEAK IN  
8 OPINION OF MOST OF THE MAJORITY OF THE NEIGHBORS BACK THERE  
9 THAT WEREN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT TODAY. AND WE ALL SHARE THE SAME  
10 OPINION, THAT WE'D LIKE TO SEE THE ROAD PAVED, THE DUMPING  
11 STOPPED AND SOME DEVELOPMENT, IT WILL CLEAN UP OUR AREA.  
12 BECAUSE IT'S HARD FOR ME TO INVITE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. AND  
13 WE DRIVE THROUGH BAD AREAS AND SAY "OH YEAH, HERE'S MY HOUSE."  
14 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING TO ME.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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18 **PRESTON DAVIS:** MY NAME IS PRESTON DAVIS. AND I'D LIKE THE  
19 THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'LL  
20 JUST TAKE A BRIEF MOMENT TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THIS  
21 DEVELOPMENT. I PERSONALLY BELIEVE THE DEVELOPMENT HAS  
22 ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED THE ISSUES OF ACCESS, SAFETY,  
23 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND ALSO THE AVAILABILITY OF WATER. AND I  
24 URGE YOU TO APPROVE THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

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1   **BRAD THORNTON:** GOOD MORNING. NIGH NAME IS BRAD THORNTON. I'M  
2   WITH SHANE'S INSPIRATION. AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
3   SUPERVISORS FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE  
4   PARK PLACE PROJECT. SHANE'S INSPIRATION IS A NONPROFIT WHOSE  
5   MISSION IS TO CREATE UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PROGRAMS AND  
6   PLAYGROUNDS THAT INTEGRATE CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES,  
7   SOCIALLY, PHYSICALLY, AND EMOTIONALLY, FOSTERING ACCEPTANCE,  
8   FRIENDSHIP, AND UNDERSTANDING. THIS SAME OPPORTUNITY WOULD BE  
9   AFFORDED TO ALL THOSE CITIZENS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY  
10   WHERE CURRENTLY THERE ARE NO UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE  
11   PLAYGROUNDS, LEAVING MANY CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ON THE  
12   SIDELINES AND NOT ABLE TO PLAY WITH THEIR ABLE-BODIED SIBLINGS  
13   AND PEERS. ANOTHER ALARMING STATISTIC IS 85 PERCENT OF ADULTS  
14   WITH DISABILITIES LOSE THEIR JOBS DUE TO LACK OF SOCIAL  
15   SKILLS. HERE'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR KIDS, ABLE-BODIED AND  
16   DISABLED, TO PLAY TOGETHER AND START ELIMINATING THE BIAS  
17   AGAINST CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES. THE PLAYGROUND AT PARK  
18   PLACE WOULD CREATE SUCH A PLACE. AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD  
19   CHAMPIONED THE CAUSE AT PARQUE DE LOS SUENOS IN 2004, WHERE I  
20   STILL REMEMBER A GIRL NAMED VICTORIA, WHO WAS AGE NINE, LIVED  
21   IN THE COMMUNITY, HAD NEVER BEEN TO A PLAYGROUND UNTIL  
22   SUPERVISOR MOLINA MADE THAT PROJECT HAPPEN. ALSO WITH  
23   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY DOING EL CARISO, ANOTHER WONDERFUL  
24   UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND PROJECT. THERE'S ONE QUOTE I  
25   WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH. THROUGH ALL OF OUR PROGRAMS, THERE WAS



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1 A LITTLE GIRL WHO RECENTLY SENT IN A LETTER SAYING "THANK YOU  
2 FOR TEACHING ME NOT TO GO 'YUCK' WHEN I SEE A CHILD WITH A  
3 DISABILITY." WHAT YOU'VE TAUGHT ME TO DO IS THAT THEY CAN BE  
4 MY FRIEND. AND WE CAN PLAY TOGETHER." THIS ELIMINATES THE BIAS  
5 AGAINST CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES AND THIS PROJECT OF PARK  
6 PLACE WILL CREATE SUCH A PLACE. AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR THE  
7 OPPORTUNITY. AND AGAIN WE SUPPORT THIS PROJECT.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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11 **RICK DOREMUS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
12 RICK DOREMUS, I'M THE PRESIDENT OF SYNERGY. WE ARE A LAND AND  
13 DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND ALSO THE DEVELOPERS OF THIS PROJECT.  
14 WE'RE VERY PROUD OF PARK PLACE. NORMALLY PARK PLACE WOULDN'T  
15 BE BEFORE YOU BECAUSE IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE EXISTING  
16 GENERAL PLAN. IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY  
17 AREA PLAN AND CONFORMS TO THE EXISTING ZONING. THE PROJECT WAS  
18 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AFTER 10  
19 NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MEETINGS AND THREE PUBLIC HEARINGS. THE  
20 ONLY REASON THAT WE ARE BEFORE YOU TODAY IS BECAUSE OF AN  
21 APPEAL BASED ON WATER AVAILABILITY. PARK PLACE CONTAINS 492  
22 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR NEIGHBORS ON  
23 ALL SIDES. WE'RE LOCATED ON SHADOW PINES BOULEVARD IN CANYON  
24 COUNTRY IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. THE PROJECT CONTAINS 500  
25 ACRES IN TOTAL. OVER HALF, 271 ARE PRESERVED AS PERMANENT OPEN



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1 SPACE. THERE ARE REALLY THREE MAJOR BENEFITS TO THE COUNTY OF  
2 LOS ANGELES BESIDES THE QUALITY OF HOMES THAT WE INTEND TO  
3 BUILD. ONE IS IT PROVIDES A PAVED SECONDARY EMERGENCY FIRE  
4 EXIT TO THE NORTH. CURRENTLY THIS WOULD SERVE OUR PROJECT AS  
5 WELL AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE CURRENT NEIGHBORHOOD ONLY HAS A  
6 SINGLE ENTRANCE. AND IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, IT WOULD CONSTRAIN  
7 TRAFFIC AND THE ABILITY OF FIRE TO SERVE IT. THIS NOT ONLY  
8 IMPROVES THE LIFE SAFETY FOR OUR PROJECT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
9 BUT HAS THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE  
10 ALSO PROVIDE 2-1/2 MILES OF NEW PUBLIC TRAILS. AND THE THIRD  
11 AREA THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COUNTY IN AN AREA  
12 WHERE THERE ARE FEW PUBLIC PARKS IS WE ARE PROVIDING A  
13 TURNKEY, FULLY DEVELOPED PUBLIC PARK. OUR QUIMBY FEE  
14 REQUIREMENT, WE EXCEED THAT OVER TEN FOLD BY DELIVERY OF THE  
15 PARK TO THE COUNTY. THIS INCLUDES SOCCER FIELDS, THE BASEBALL  
16 COURTS, HARD COURT PLAY, AND WE'RE PROUD TO INCORPORATE  
17 UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND. PARK PLACE IS SUPPORTED BY  
18 THE MAJORITY OF OUR NEIGHBORS AND ALSO BY THE CITY OF SANTA  
19 CLARITA. THAT'S KIND OF UNUSUAL. AND I'M GLAD THAT THEY HAVE  
20 ENDORSED OUR PROJECT. TODAY WE ASK THAT YOU DENY THIS APPEAL  
21 AND CONFIRM THE UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY YOUR PLANNING  
22 COMMISSION, APPROVING OUR TENTATIVE TRACT MAP AND THE E.I.R.  
23 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND SUPPORT.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DAN MASNADA, AND ALAN  
2   HUBSCH, LARRY SCHALLENT, AND CAROL MACHRMER. COULD YOU GIVE US  
3   YOUR BACKGROUND AND TELL US A LITTLE BIT ABOUT YOU, YOUR  
4   POSITION ON THIS?

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6   **DAN MASNADA:** GOOD MORNING. I'M DAN MASNADA, I'M THE GENERAL  
7   MANAGER OF THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY. AND WE'RE  
8   RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERALL MANAGEMENT OF THE AGENCY AND OUR  
9   RETAIL SUBSIDIARY.

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CASTAIC LAKE  
12   WATER AGENCY AND THE SANTA CLARITA WATER DIVISION? AND DO YOU  
13   SPEAK FOR BOTH OF THOSE?

14

15   **DAN MASNADA:** YES, I DO. CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY IS THE  
16   WHOLESALE PRINCIPALLY OF STATE PROJECT WATER BUT IN GENERAL  
17   OF IMPORTED WATER SUPPLY TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. AND THE  
18   SANTA CLARITA WATER DIVISION IS A RETAIL SUBSIDIARY OF THE  
19   AGENCY THAT SERVES PRINCIPALLY THE EAST END OF THE SANTA  
20   CLARITA VALLEY.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S INCLUDED IN URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT  
23   PLAN?

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1   **DAN MASNADA:** AN URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN, IN SHORT,  
2   CONSISTS OF A PROJECTION OF A MINIMUM OF 20 YEARS OF SUPPLY,  
3   WATER SUPPLY, AND ALSO OF WATER DEMAND. IN FACT, OUR URBAN  
4   WATER MANAGEMENT WATER PLAN EXTENDS OUT TO 25 YEARS. AND AS A  
5   PRACTICAL MATTER, THE SUPPLY NUMBERS IN THE URBAN WATER  
6   MANAGEMENT PLAN ARE MORE THAN IMPLIED TO BE AVAILABLE INTO THE  
7   INDEFINITE FUTURE. THERE IS ALSO PROJECTIONS OF DRY YEAR  
8   SUPPLIES AND HOW TO DEAL WITH CERTAIN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

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10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ARE ALL OF THE WATER AGENCIES IN THE SANTA  
11   CLARITA VALLEY ARE INVOLVED WITH THAT?

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13   **DAN MASNADA:** YES. THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY AND THE FOUR  
14   RETAILERS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PARTICIPATED IN THE  
15   DEVELOPMENT OF THE URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN.

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WAS THE LAST PLAN APPROVED, OR ADOPTED,  
18   PREPARED?

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20   **DAN MASNADA:** IT WAS ADOPTED IN EITHER NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER OF  
21   2005. AND WE CALL IT OUR 2005 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN.

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23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW LONG IS THAT PLAN GOOD FOR WHEN IT'S  
24   APPROVED, SAY THREE YEARS AGO?

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1   **DAN MASNADA:** WELL, THE PLANS HAVE TO BE UPDATED A MINIMUM OF  
2   EVERY FIVE YEARS. THE NEXT UPDATE WOULD OCCUR IN 2010 UNLESS  
3   IT'S AMENDED -- UNLESS THE CURRENT PLAN IS AMENDED BEFORE  
4   THEN. BUT THE PROJECTIONS IN THE PLAN ARE FOR A MINIMUM OF 20  
5   YEARS. AS I JUST MENTIONED, OUR PROJECTIONS ACTUALLY GO OUT 25  
6   YEARS. AND AS FAR AS THE SUPPLIES ARE CONCERNED, THEY'RE  
7   DEEMED TO BE AVAILABLE INTO THE INDEFINITE FUTURE.

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9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN YOU PREPARE THE PLAN, DOES THAT  
10  INVOLVE PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE COMMUNITY AND A STATE REVIEW?

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12  **DAN MASNADA:** YES, IT DOES. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THE MOST  
13  RECENT URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN INVOLVED AT LEAST ONE IF  
14  NOT TWO MORE MEETINGS THAN WERE REQUIRED UNDER THE URBAN WATER  
15  MANAGEMENT PLANNING ACT.

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17  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO LIKE THE STOCK MARKET WITH UPS AND DOWNS,  
18  YOU ANTICIPATE THE FLUCTUATIONS IN THE 10-YEAR PLAN WHEN YOU  
19  DEVELOP IT?

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21  **DAN MASNADA:** THAT'S A CRITICAL ELEMENT OF THE URBAN WATER  
22  MANAGEMENT PLAN PRINCIPALLY AS IT RELATES TO THE STATE WATER  
23  PROJECT SUPPLY. WE HAVE TO ANTICIPATE FLUCTUATIONS IN THE  
24  DELIVERIES FROM THE STATE WATER PROJECT IN ORDER TO ENSURE



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1 THAT ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLIES ARE AVAILABLE TO OUR CUSTOMERS ON  
2 A YEAR-IN, YEAR-OUT BASIS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN YOU MAKE THAT PLAN, DO YOU CONSULT,  
5 SAY, THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC WORKS, REGIONAL PLANNING RELATIVE TO  
6 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS TO GAUGE THE WATER SUPPLY?

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8 **DAN MASNADA:** YES. ALSO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA AS WELL AS  
9 THE S.C.A.G. PROJECTIONS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU WORK WITH THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
12 AND THE COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS?

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14 **DAN MASNADA:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BASED ON THE INFORMATION THAT YOU KNOW AS THE  
17 GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY, DO YOU  
18 FORESEE THAT YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO CONTINUE TO ISSUE WATER  
19 SUPPLY ASSESSMENTS?

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21 **DAN MASNADA:** YES. I FORESEE THAT THE RETAILERS ARE IN THE  
22 POSITION TO CONTINUE ISSUING WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENTS.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU SEE THIS AS WATER PURVEYORS WILL BE  
25 ABLE TO DO THIS IN THE COMING YEARS?



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2 **DAN MASNADA:** YES.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. DO YOU  
5 CONCUR WITH THIS TESTIMONY? OUR DEPARTMENT, THEY ARE INVOLVED  
6 IN THIS WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN? PLANNING AHEAD AS WELL? WE'RE  
7 PLANNING AHEAD, AS WELL?

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9 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, SUPERVISOR, OUR WATER WORKS DISTRICT  
10 PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT  
11 PLAN. AND WE DO AGREE WITH THE CONCLUSION THAT THERE IS AN  
12 ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY.

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14 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MADAME CHAIR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I  
15 THINK FOR THE RECORD, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING HAD  
16 WRITTEN A LETTER TO THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY DURING THE  
17 SUMMER AS A RESULT OF THE FEDERAL COURT DECISION INVOLVING THE  
18 DELTA SMELT. IN JANUARY -- ON JANUARY 28TH OF THIS YEAR, THE  
19 C.L.W.A. WROTE A LETTER TO OUR DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING  
20 AFFIRMING THAT C.L.W.A. BELIEVED THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THE MORE  
21 RECENT INFORMATION AND BASED IN PART UPON A DRAFT 2007 WATER  
22 RELIABILITY REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES THAT  
23 IT WAS -- IT CONTINUED TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE WATER TO THIS  
24 PROJECT AND OTHER KNOWN PRODUCTS TO THE 2030 HORIZON.  
25 FURTHERMORE, A SUMMARY OF UPDATED STATE WATER PROJECT AND



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1 WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT AND  
2 WAS MADE AVAILABLE ON THE BOARD'S WEBSITE FOR THIS MEETING.  
3 AND I BELIEVE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS REVIEWED THAT  
4 DOCUMENT SPECIFICALLY AND CONCURS IN ITS CONCLUSIONS.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTIONS? THANK YOU.

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8 **DAN MASNADA:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST, GO AHEAD.

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12 **ALLEN HUBSCH:** MY NAME IS ALLEN HUBSCH. I OWN THREE PARCELS  
13 IMMEDIATELY TO THE NORTH OF THIS PROJECT. THE THREE PARCELS  
14 TOTAL 80 ACRES. THERE IS AN EXISTING DIRT ROAD WHICH PROVIDES  
15 ACCESS TO MY THREE PARCELS OF LAND. THIS IS DIFFERENT THAN THE  
16 FIRE ROAD ACCESS WHICH MR. DOREMUS TALKED ABOUT WHICH WILL  
17 PROVIDE A FIRE ACCESS TO THE NORTHEAST. MY PROPERTIES ARE  
18 DIRECTLY TO THE NORTH AND ARE SERVED BY AN EXISTING DIRT ROAD  
19 TO THE NORTH. THE EXISTING DIRT ROAD IS GOING TO BE COVERED UP  
20 BY ABOUT 60 FEET OF FILL BY THIS PROJECT AND CUT OFF BY A  
21 DETENTION BASIN WHICH WILL BE BUILT AS PART OF THE PROJECT.  
22 THE EXISTING DIRT ROAD HAS BEEN THERE FOR MANY YEARS. IT IS A  
23 ROAD THAT I HAVE A PRESCRIPTIVE EASEMENT OVER. MY TITLE POLICY  
24 SHOWS A ROAD EASEMENT ON IT, AND I EXPECT THAT THE TITLE  
25 POLICIES FOR THE LAND IN QUESTION UNDER THIS TRACT ALSO HAVE



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1 ROAD EASEMENTS OVER THEM. THIS TRACT WOULD BURY THAT ROAD  
2 UNDER 60 FEET OF FILL AND CUT OFF THE EXISTING ACCESS. THE  
3 APPLICANT HAS PROPOSED A SUBSTITUTE ROAD, WHICH WOULD BE A  
4 PAVED ROAD. THE PROBLEM WITH THAT PAVED ROAD IS THAT IT IS  
5 BASICALLY SUSPENDED ABOUT 50 TO 60 FEET IN MIDAIR ALONG THE  
6 SIDE OF A STEEP HILLSIDE. MY CIVIL ENGINEERS TOLD ME THE ONLY  
7 WAY THAT I COULD THEN USE THAT ROAD IS TO PRODUCE ABOUT  
8 300,000 CUBIC YARDS OF FILL TO THEN BRING THE LEVEL OF THE  
9 VALLEY BACK UP TO THE LEVEL OF THIS ROAD, WHICH HAS BEEN  
10 SUSPENDED IN MIDAIR. MY LAND IS THREE PARCELS. I HAVE BEEN  
11 TOLD BY MY CIVIL ENGINEER THAT BASED ON THE ZONING AND THE  
12 GENERAL PLAN, IT COULD THEORETICALLY BE SUBDIVIDED INTO AS  
13 MANY AS 25 TO 30 LOTS. THAT'S, I GUESS, THE MAXIMUM. THAT  
14 DENSITY ISN'T ANYTHING LIKE THE DENSITY BEING PROPOSED ON  
15 THESE 500 ACRES OF 492 LOTS. AND IT CAN'T SUPPORT FILLING IN  
16 THAT VALLEY. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE NEW ROAD ENTER MY  
17 PROPERTY EITHER AT A LOWER ELEVATION, SO I DON'T HAVE TO FILL  
18 IN THE ENTIRE CANYON, OR AT A HIGHER ELEVATION SO THAT IT  
19 WOULD BE NEAR THE TOP OF THE RIDGE, WHERE IT COULD ACTUALLY BE  
20 ON A FLATTER SURFACE. WITH THE CURRENT MAP, I BELIEVE THAT I'M  
21 LOSING MY EXISTING ROAD ACCESS AND ESSENTIALLY BEING  
22 LANDLOCKED. I'D LIKE TO WORK WITH THE APPLICANT TO ADDRESS THE  
23 ISSUE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
24



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1   **LARRY SCHALLERT:** THANK YOU. HI, MY NAME IS LARRY SCHALLERT.  
2   THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME ADDRESS YOU TODAY. I'D JUST LIKE TO  
3   SAY THE APPLICANT SHOULD BE -- AND I'M OPPOSING THIS PROJECT  
4   AND ASKING YOU TO REFER IT BACK TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING TO  
5   DECREASE THE DENSITY. I'M COMMENDING THE APPLICANT, IT DOES  
6   PRESERVE 50 PERCENT OPEN SPACE, IT DOESN'T REQUEST A ZONE  
7   CHANGE, IT BUILDS A BIKE TRAIL, PROVIDES A PARK, PRESERVES ONE  
8   BANK OF THE TIC CANYON CREEK AND IT PAVES SOME ROADS FOR SOME  
9   LOCAL RESIDENTS AND GIVES THEM A GATE TO GIVE THEM AN  
10  EXCLUSIVE PLACE TO LIVE. NEVERTHELESS, I'D STRONGLY URGE YOU  
11  TO SEND IT BACK TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING AND TO GO TO OPTION  
12  2, WHICH DECREASES FROM 590 SOMETHING DOWN TO 163 HOUSES  
13  WITHOUT THE PARK DESIGNATION. JUST ACCORDING TO STAFF,  
14  APPARENTLY IT DOES NOT CONFORM TO DENSITY TRANSFERS REQUIRED  
15  BY THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PLAN FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS.  
16  AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THIS IS DUE TO THE PLAN'S REQUIREMENT TO  
17  PROTECT HILLSIDES OF A CERTAIN SLOPE. IT'S OUT OF MY SCOPE OF  
18  PRACTICE, BUT THAT'S THE WAY I UNDERSTOOD IT. THE GRADING IS  
19  DIRECTLY IN A U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE PROPOSED DESIGNATED  
20  HABITAT FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES. IT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTS A  
21  WILDLIFE CORRIDOR, IT AFFECTS VIRTUALLY PRISTINE RIVER BOTTOM  
22  AND WETLAND AREA THAT EMPTIES INTO THE LAST WILD RIVER IN IN  
23  SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. IT INDUCES GROWTH INTO A NATURAL AREA AND  
24  WILDLIFE HABITAT. IT CONTINUES THE DESTRUCTION OF THE CANYONS  
25  BETWEEN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND THE DESERT. IT IMPACTS TRAFFIC





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1 ON THE ALREADY CHOKED 14, WHICH IS LIKE A 2-1/2 HOUR DRIVE  
2 HERE, IF YOU'VE EVER TAKEN THAT ROAD IN THE MORNING. IT'S  
3 QUITE A NIGHTMARE. IT OVERCROWDS SCHOOLS. AND SO I JUST WANT  
4 YOU TO REFER IT BACK SO IT WILL LIMIT THE EFFECT OF THE  
5 PROJECT WHERE IT WOULD PRESERVE 80 OAKS AND WETLANDS, AND  
6 GRADE 86 ACRES INSTEAD OF 200 ACRES. IT'S 337 LESS HOMES. IT'S  
7 GOING TO REDUCE TRAFFIC AND MITIGATES THE IMPACT TO SCHOOLS.  
8 AND IT CERTAINLY IS GOING TO USE LESS WATER, SINCE WE ALL KNOW  
9 THE WATER FROM THE SACRAMENTO RIVER IS BEING LIMITED, AND LAKE  
10 MEAD AS WE'VE HEARD RECENTLY IN THE NEWS IS DRYING UP. SO I'M  
11 HOPING THAT YOU'LL REFER THIS BACK TO REGIONAL PLANNING TO  
12 DECREASE THE DENSITY OF THE PROJECT. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME CALL LISA FIMIANI, CAM NOLTEMEYER,  
15 LYNNE PLAMBECK.

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17 **CAROL MACHRMER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CAROL MACHRMER, AND I'M A  
18 RESIDENT OF TICK CANYON. I LIVE AT 30638 TICK CANYON ROAD. I  
19 REPRESENT MANY TICK CANYON RESIDENTS THAT WERE NOT ABLE TO BE  
20 HERE TODAY DUE TO JOBS AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES. THESE  
21 RESIDENTS ARE OPPOSED TO THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULARLY  
22 THE DENSITY OF HOMES IN A CANYON AREA NOT SUITED TO THE LEVEL  
23 OF DEVELOPMENT OR TRAFFIC THAT WOULD BE CREATED. THE ADDITION  
24 OF A LARGE PARK IN THE AREA WHERE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE TO DRIVE  
25 IN ORDER TO GET IN. THE ADDITION OF PARK LIGHTS WOULD BE



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1 DISRUPTIVE OF RESIDENTS AS WELL AS NOCTURNAL FEEDING,  
2 DIFFICULT FOR OWLS AND OTHER NOCTURNAL ANIMALS. THE  
3 DESTRUCTION OF IMPORTANT HABITAT TO THE ENDANGERED GNAT  
4 CATCHER, DESTRUCTION OF A FREE FLOWING RIVER, HILLS AND  
5 HABITAT THAT CANNOT BE REPLACED EVEN THOUGH OTHER TREES ARE  
6 REPLANTED IN THESE AREAS. MANY OF THESE RESIDENTS HAVE ALSO  
7 SUBMITTED LETTERS PREVIOUSLY AND CURRENTLY. WE ASK YOU TO VOTE  
8 AGAINST THIS PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN TOTAL OR IN PART FOR THE  
9 OBVIOUS DESTRUCTIVE ELEMENTS AND THE NEGATIVE IMPACT TO THE  
10 INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE COUNTY. AN ADDITIONAL  
11 TOPIC THAT I NEED TO BRING UP TODAY IS THE PARK PLACE  
12 DEVELOPER'S EFFORT TO HAVE THE CURRENT RESIDENTS OF TICK  
13 CANYON ESTABLISH AN H.O.A., A HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION. AGAIN I  
14 HAVE SPOKEN WITH AND I SPEAK FOR MANY RESIDENTS TODAY THAT ARE  
15 OPPOSED TO ESTABLISHING AN H.O.A. IT IS THE DEVELOPER'S  
16 RESPONSIBILITY FOR MOVING AND EVENTUAL MAINTENANCE OF  
17 MAILBOXES, WATER HOOKUPS AND TRASH BINS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF  
18 TICK CANYON. THESE FACILITIES WILL BE THE EVENTUAL  
19 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARK PLACE H.O.A. SHOULD THE DEVELOPMENT  
20 GO THROUGH AS CURRENTLY PLANNED. THE DEVELOPER OFFERED THE  
21 CURRENT TICK CANYON RESIDENTS THE QUOTE UNQUOTE "PRIVILEGE,"  
22 OR LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OF MAINTAINING THE MAIL AREA, WATER  
23 HOOKUPS, AND TRASH BINS, AS WELL AS MAINTAINING A SECTION OF  
24 ROAD THAT WOULD BE ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE OF THE PARK IF THEY  
25 ORGANIZED AN H.O.A. I BELIEVE THIS ROAD WOULD BE AN ACCESS



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1 ROAD FOR THE PARK AS WELL AS CONTINUING TO BE THE MAIN ROAD  
2 FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE EAST SIDE OF TICK CANYON TO REACH  
3 THEIR HOMES. IN EXCHANGE, THE DEVELOPER SAID HE WOULD ALSO  
4 REPAVE AN ADDITIONAL SMALL SECTION OF THE ROAD UP TO AN ACCESS  
5 GATE JUST ABOVE THE PARK THAT HE WOULD PUT IN FOR THE  
6 RESIDENTS OF THE EAST AREA. AN H.O.A. WOULD BE OUT OF KEEPING  
7 WITH THE PROPERTIES THAT ARE AS DIVERSE AS THE TICK CANYON  
8 AREA. IT WOULD PROVIDE A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FOR MANY  
9 RESIDENTS, POSSIBLY ENDANGERING THEIR PROPERTY RIGHTS. THESE  
10 PROPERTIES DO NOT HAVE THE CONSISTENCY OF CONDOS OR  
11 DEVELOPMENTS. WE DO NOT WANT AN H.O.A. FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND  
12 WE EXPECT THE DEVELOPER TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ABOVE-  
13 MENTIONED ITEMS THAT ARE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE  
14 DEVELOPER AND THE PARK PLACE H.O.A., THANK YOU.

15  
16 **LISA FIMIANI:** HELLO MY NAME IS LISA FIMIANI. AGAIN, I  
17 REPRESENT THE LOS ANGELES AUDUBON SOCIETY AND THE FRIENDS OF  
18 BALLONA WETLANDS. THE ISSUE THAT COMES UP OVER AND OVER AGAIN  
19 WITH ALL THESE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS IS THE IMPACT, THE  
20 CUMULATIVE IMPACT ON OUR WATERSHED. AND ONCE AGAIN, I WANT TO  
21 SHARE A PERSONAL STORY. I WAS ON A SITE THAT WAS SLATED FOR  
22 DEVELOPMENT WITH SOMEBODY WHO HAD NEVER SEEN WESTERN  
23 MEADOWLARKS. AND WE WERE UNDER SOME OAKS THAT WERE SLATED TO  
24 BE CUT DOWN. IT WAS A FIELD. AND ALL OF THE MEADOWLARKS TOOK  
25 FLIGHT AT ONCE. AND IT WAS A SIGHT THAT HE HAD NEVER SEEN, AND



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1 I JUST REVELED IN, BEING AN AVID BIRD WATCHER. THAT FIELD AND  
2 THOSE OAKS ARE NOW GONE. IT'S A DENUDED HILLSIDE IN  
3 PREPARATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT. AND SOMETHING THAT JUST KEEPS  
4 GETTING LOST OVER AND OVER AGAIN IN ALL THESE DEVELOPMENTS IS  
5 THE ELIMINATION OF EXISTING OAK TREES, NOT THE INCORPORATION  
6 OF THOSE OAK TREES INTO THE DEVELOPMENT, WHICH WOULD BE A LOT  
7 MORE COSTLY. BUT AT WHAT PRICE? WE ARE LOSING OUR HERITAGE. WE  
8 ARE LOSING WHAT MAKES SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.  
9 AND I WOULD ASK YOU TO RECONSIDER. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO KEEP  
10 LOSING HABITAT FOR BIRDS AND WILDLIFE AND PEOPLE. THAT IMAGE  
11 THAT MY FRIEND EXPERIENCED, HE'LL NEVER SEE AGAIN IN THAT  
12 AREA. IT'S GONE. AND ONCE THEY'RE GONE, THEY'RE GONE. THANK  
13 YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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17 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** MY NAME IS CAM NOLTEMEYER. I AM REPRESENTING  
18 THE SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE  
19 ENVIRONMENT. OUR MISSION IS TO PROMOTE, PROTECT AND PRESERVE  
20 THE ENVIRONMENT, ECOLOGY AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE SANTA  
21 CLARITA VALLEY. WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FILING THIS APPEAL.  
22 L.A. COUNTY HAS APPROVED 11,756 RESIDENTIAL UNITS IN THE SANTA  
23 CLARITA VALLEY REGION. L.A. COUNTY HAS 27,495 NEW RESIDENTIAL  
24 UNITS PENDING APPROVAL IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY REGION,  
25 THAT INCLUDES TICK CANYON. THOSE NUMBERS ARE FROM THE CITY OF



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1 SANTA CLARITA, JANUARY 15TH, 2008, COUNTY DEVELOPMENT  
2 OVERVIEW. THE CITY'S CONCERNS REGARDING THE TICK CANYON IN  
3 THIS REPORT WERE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION, TRAILS, PARKWAYS,  
4 COMMERCIAL CENTER DESIGN INTEGRATION, PARK SIZE AND LOCATION,  
5 SEWERS, AND CONTOUR GRADING. THIS DEVELOPMENT IS OVER 500  
6 ACRES, IT'S LOCATED NEXT TO THE 14 FREEWAY AND THE SOLEDAD  
7 CANYON ROAD. REMEMBER THAT WORD CANYON ROAD BECAUSE THAT'S  
8 EXACTLY WHAT IT IS, A CANYON. TICK CANYON IS UNDER A  
9 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL  
10 UNITS FROM 34 UNITS. REMEMBER THAT NUMBER, 34 UNITS, TO 492  
11 UNITS, JUST BELOW THE 500 NUMBER REQUIRED FOR AIR QUALITY AND  
12 WATER CONSIDERATIONS UNDER THE "SHOW ME THE WATER"  
13 LEGISLATION. WE HAVE REQUESTED IN OUR WRITTEN COMMENTS  
14 SUBMITTED TO YOU THAT IT BE CONSIDERED THE SAME AS THOUGH  
15 THERE WERE 500 UNITS. IT'S A HILLSIDE PROJECT. THE SLOPES OF  
16 25 PERCENT OR GREATER. EXTENSIVE GRADING IS REQUIRED TO BUILD  
17 THESE 492 UNITS. 72 MATURE OAK TREES ARE BEING REMOVED.  
18 OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION WAS USED FOR AIR QUALITY. WHY? NO  
19 DEVELOPMENT MONITORING ANALYSIS WAS DONE AS REQUIRED. ONLY  
20 OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION WAS DONE. IT CAN'T BE USED TO REPLACE  
21 THE MITIGATION THAT IS NEEDED FOR FIRE, POLICE, LIBRARY,  
22 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, OR THE EFFECTS OF DOWN SIZING THIS  
23 PROJECT. THIS TICK CANYON AS PRESENTED IS WITHOUT MERIT. WE  
24 NEED THIS PROJECT DOWNSIZED, AND WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT



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1 YOU RETURN IT TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO DO SO. THANK YOU  
2 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE SECOND. TERESA SAVAIKIE, DAN COOPER,  
5 ARNOLD SACHS?

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7 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** ARE YOU READY? MY NAME IS LYNNE PLAMBECK,  
8 SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT.  
9 I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY REITERATE THE ISSUES WITH THE DEVELOPMENT  
10 MONITORING SYSTEM. YOU KNOW THAT'S A COUNTY GENERAL PLAN  
11 AMENDMENT. IT'S A REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THAT. AND THERE  
12 WAS NO DEVELOPMENT MONITORING SYSTEM ANALYSIS FOR THIS  
13 PROJECT. IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THE COUNTY HAS JUST SORT OF  
14 FORGOTTEN TO DO THAT. IN RESPONSE TO THE WATER AGENCIES, I  
15 KNOW THEY SAY ALL THE TIME EVERYTHING'S FINE, EVERYTHING'S  
16 FINE. WE REALLY NEED TO MEET WITH THEM SO THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT  
17 OF PUBLIC WORKS CAN UNDERSTAND OUR CONCERNS. FOR INSTANCE, THE  
18 SIERRA CLUB ISN'T HERE TODAY, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO PASS OUT THE  
19 TIMELINE FOR THE CHLORIDE CLEANUP. AND I'VE MARKED ON THERE  
20 OVER -- THESE ARE DIFFERENT AGENDAS OVER THE YEARS. YOU WILL  
21 SEE THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE HAS BEEN DELAYED A YEAR, A YEAR, A  
22 YEAR. AND SO THEY COME AND SAY EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE FINE,  
23 WE'LL HAVE IT THIS YEAR, AND AGAIN IT'S DELAYED.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU WANT TO GIVE THOSE TO US? DO YOU WANT  
2   TO HAND THOSE OUT TO US?

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4   **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** YES. I WANT YOU TO JUST LOOK AT THEM. ALSO, I  
5   BROUGHT YOU SOME WATER REPORTS. THE PUBLIC WORKS ACCURATELY  
6   REPRESENTED THERE WAS A CONCERN OVER THE WANGER DECISION.  
7   THERE IS STILL A CONCERN OVER WANGER DECISION. I THOUGHT IT  
8   MIGHT BE INTERESTING FOR THE BOARD TO JUST HAVE A CHANCE TO  
9   LOOK AT THE VARIOUS WATER REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. I  
10   HIGHLIGHTED THE AREA WHERE THEY'VE DELAYED AND DELAYED THE  
11   CHLORIDE CLEAN UP. I MEAN THINGS ARE JUST GOING WRONG. IT'S  
12   TWO SEPARATE ONES, TOO. WHAT I THOUGHT MIGHT BE INTERESTING  
13   ABOUT THESE WATER SUPPLY REPORTS IS THAT ALL THE FIGURES ARE  
14   DIFFERENT IN ALL OF THEM. AND THE POINT HERE IS THAT YEAH, YOU  
15   CAN MAKE IT LOOK LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF YIELD OUT OF THE SANTA  
16   CLARA RIVER BY SAYING THAT THE AGRICULTURAL YIELD WAS HIGHER  
17   OR LOWER. YOU CAN SAY THERE'S A LOT OF YIELD FROM THE STATE  
18   WATER PROJECT BY LOOKING AT AN AVERAGE YEAR, WHEN IN FACT WHAT  
19   THE CONCERN IS, IS WHEN WE ARE ONLY ABLE TO GET 25 PERCENT,  
20   WHICH IS WHAT WE THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO GET LAST YEAR, WE  
21   WOULDN'T HAVE HAD ENOUGH WATER. NOW THE WATER AGENCIES HAVE  
22   DONE A GOOD JOB OF STORING WATER, BUT THE STORAGE WATER WILL  
23   ONLY LAST 10 YEARS. YOU CAN'T BUILD HOUSES ON THE STORAGE  
24   WATER. SO I THINK THAT WHEN YOU START LOOKING AT THE DIFFERENT  
25   REPORTS, IT'S REALLY TIME FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS TO SIT DOWN AND



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1 HEAR WHAT THE CONCERNS ARE IN THE COMMUNITY AND FROM THE OTHER  
2 AREAS AND MAYBE FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BESIDES JUST WHAT'S  
3 GOING ON WITH MR. AND MS. NADA AND THE DEVELOPER-SUPPORTED  
4 REPRESENTATIVES ON THE WATER AGENCY. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO READ  
5 TO YOU FROM THE DELTA VISION, ITEM NUMBER 7, A REVITALIZED  
6 DELTA ECHO SYSTEM WILL REQUIRE REDUCED DIVERSIONS OR CHANGES  
7 IN PATTERNS AND TIMING OF THOSE DIVERSIONS UPSTREAM WITHIN THE  
8 DELTA AND EXPORTED FROM THE DELTA AT CRITICAL TIMES. YOU'RE  
9 NOT GOING TO HAVE AS MUCH WATER COMING DOWN HERE. IT'S REALLY  
10 IMPORTANT THAT WE LOOK AT THAT IN A DIFFERENT WAY. AND I WOULD  
11 JUST LIKE TO QUICKLY SAY WE PROVIDED A LOT OF MITIGATION FOR  
12 AIR POLLUTION THAT IS ATTACHED TO OUR COMMENT LETTERS. IT'S  
13 WHAT WAS PUT OUT BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. THOSE ARE  
14 NOT INCLUDED IN THIS PROJECT. THEY COULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED.  
15 THERE SHOULD BE NO BANKING IN THE STREAM. THAT COULD BE A  
16 MITIGATION TO SUPPORT PROBLEMS WITH WATER SUPPLY. IF WE BANK  
17 EVERYTHING, WE CAN'T HAVE OUR RECHARGE AREAS. AND IF YOU'RE  
18 GOING TO ALLOW THESE HOUSES, ANYWAY, AND MR. MEDUNO SAID AT  
19 THE PLANNING COMMISSION, "WELL, WE'RE GOING TO JUST ALL HAVE  
20 TO USE LESS WATER. WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE ENOUGH, WE'RE GOING  
21 TO JUST ALL HAVE TO USE LESS." WELL THEN, MR. ANTONOVICH, YOU  
22 BETTER TELL PEOPLE THAT. BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO PUT IN THEIR  
23 LAWNS, THEY'RE GOING TO PUT IN THEIR EXPENSIVE LANDSCAPING,  
24 AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LET IT ALL DIE. AND MAYBE IT'S  
25 NOT GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT YEAR. BUT THE NEXT TIME WE HAVE A BIG



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1 CUT BACK FROM STATE WATER SUPPLY, IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. AND I  
2 KNOW EVERYBODY'S SAYING IT'S ALL RIGHT, IT'S ALL RIGHT, IT'S  
3 ALL RIGHT. AND THEN OOPS, WE GOOFED, YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO BE  
4 IN TROUBLE. SO I WOULD JUST REALLY REQUEST THAT THIS GO BACK  
5 TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, LOOK AT REDUCING THE PROJECT. BUT  
6 THAT ALSO, THAT PUBLIC WORKS BE ABLE TO MEET WITH US TO HEAR  
7 WHAT SOME OF THESE CONCERNS ARE, TO HEAR THE CRITICAL COMMENTS  
8 BACK. ALL THEY'RE HEARING IS THAT EVERYTHING IS ALL RIGHT. AND  
9 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THEY HEAR WHAT THE CONTROVERSY IS  
10 ABOUT. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, LYNNE.

13

14 **TERESA SAVAIKIE:** HI, MY NAME IS TERESA SAVAIKIE, AND I'M GOING  
15 TO SPEAK BOTH AS A PARENT OF THREE YOUNG CHILDREN IN SANTA  
16 CLARITA AND ALSO FOR THE SANTA CLARA RIVER ALLIANCE. I FIND IT  
17 RATHER UPSETTING THAT A DEVELOPER WOULD PUT IN -- AND OFTEN  
18 MANY OF THEM DO -- THEY SET UP THIS LITTLE CARROT STICK,  
19 WHETHER IT BE A PARK FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN, WHICH I AM  
20 ALL SUPPORTIVE OF AND ACTUALLY BELIEVE THAT EACH PARK SHOULD  
21 BE BUILT THAT WAY, BUT THAT WE DON'T KILL A WHOLE WATERSHED IN  
22 VALLEY CANYON TO DO SO. AS I SAID IN MY EARLIER STATEMENT,  
23 THIS IS NOT MY RIVER, IT'S NOT YOUR RIVER, IT'S OUR REGION'S  
24 RIVER. AND BIT BY BIT, PIECE BY PIECE, WE ARE KILLING IT AND  
25 TURNING IT INTO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT



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1 IT, ONCE YOU PUT THE HOUSES AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE IN THERE,  
2 IT BECOMES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS TAXPAYERS TO PAY TO MAINTAIN  
3 THAT INFRASTRUCTURE. AND THE RIVER AND THE SPECIES WILL  
4 ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS LOSE. THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT'S GONE IN  
5 THE L.A. RIVER. AND THAT IS THE WAY IT IS GOING IN THE SANTA  
6 CLARA RIVER TO BE SURE OF. I THINK, AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO MAKE  
7 IT CLEAR THAT I THINK THAT ALL PARKS SHOULD HAVE ACCESS FOR  
8 CHILDREN WITH ANY SORT OF DISABILITIES. AND I ALSO THINK  
9 PARENTS HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO TEACH THEIR CHILDREN NOT TO  
10 SAY "YUCK," BECAUSE MY CHILDREN WOULD NEVER SAY SUCH A THING.  
11 AND I SUSPECT THAT THERE ARE MANY THAT WOULD. REGARDING THE  
12 SANTA CLARA RIVER, I JUST DON'T KNOW IF I'VE EVER HEARD OF A  
13 PROJECT THAT YOUR BOARD HAS EVER OPPOSED, EVER, ALONG THE  
14 SANTA CLARA RIVER. YAROSLAVSKY IS THE ONLY ONE THAT HAD THE  
15 GREAT SENSE TO OPPOSE THE MASSIVE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT. THE  
16 SANTA CLARA RIVER HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE NATURE  
17 CONSERVANCY IN THIS AREA, IS IDENTIFIED AS A SIGNIFICANT  
18 WILDLIFE CORRIDOR BY THE NATURE CONSERVANCY IN THEIR UPPER  
19 SANTA CLARA RIVER CONSERVATION REPORT. IT IS ALSO RECOGNIZED  
20 AND IDENTIFIED IN SOUTH COAST WILD LANDS REPORT FOR WILDLIFE  
21 CORRIDOR NEEDS AND MOVEMENT. AND THIS IS NOT THE ONLY PROJECT.  
22 LATER ON DOWN THIS AGENDA, WE HAVE ANOTHER ONE UP IN THIS SAME  
23 CANYON. AND WE HAVE ANOTHER GOING BEFORE THE CITY OF SANTA  
24 CLARITA WEDNESDAY NIGHT, RIGHT BELOW THIS PROJECT. ENOUGH IS  
25 ENOUGH. NOW LET ME GET ON TO A LITTLE BIT OF AIR QUALITY



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1 ISSUES, BECAUSE EVERYBODY SAYS THAT THE GROWTH IN SANTA  
2 CLARITA IS NOT AFFECTING THE AIR QUALITY IN SAN CLARITA, SAN  
3 FERNANDO VALLEY, THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA. THAT CANNOT BE  
4 POSSIBLE. I'M NOT A SCIENTIST BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT, IF EACH  
5 PERSON, 53 PERCENT OF OUR POPULATION DRIVES TO SAN FERNANDO  
6 VALLEY AND LOS ANGELES AND BEYOND TO SUPPORT THEIR MORTGAGES.  
7 SO WHAT DOES THAT TELL US? THEY ARE DRIVING FURTHER DISTANCES.  
8 THEY'RE CONTRIBUTING TO AIR QUALITY. PEOPLE LIVING ALONG THE  
9 405 ARE GOING TO LOSE THEIR HOMES, FOR WHAT REASON? BECAUSE WE  
10 ARE APPROVING MINDLESS DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT THE NECESSARY  
11 INFRASTRUCTURE. WE NEED DEVELOPMENTS IN SANTA CLARITA THAT ARE  
12 ONLY BUSINESS. WE NEED THE PEOPLE TO STAY IN THAT VALLEY AND  
13 STAY OFF ALL THE FREEWAYS THAT ALL OF US TAXPAYERS AND ALL OF  
14 US FOLKS HAVE TO DRIVE EACH DAY AND STOP TAKING AWAY PEOPLE'S  
15 HOMES. LET'S START LOOKING AT SOME SORT OF PLANS THAT PROTECT  
16 THE PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE TODAY AND FOR THE PEOPLE THAT ARE  
17 HERE TODAY AND MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES MORE LIVABLE ACROSS L.A.  
18 COUNTY, THANK YOU.

19  
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. MR. COOPER?

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22 **DAN COOPER:** THANK YOU, HONORABLE BOARD. I SUBMITTED AN EXPERT  
23 DECLARATION AS PART OF A COURT CASE, U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
24 WISHTOYO FOUNDATION VENTURA COASTKEEPER VERSUS FRANCIS J.  
25 HARVEY, SECRETARY OF THE ARMY AND PARTY HOMES AS DEFENDANTS.



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1 AND PART OF THAT WAS TO ANALYZE THE SECONDARY IMPACT AND THE  
2 CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF A COUPLE OF DEVELOPMENTS ON THE NORTHEAST  
3 SIDE OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA. THESE INCLUDED TWO OF THE  
4 SITES THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY, THIS AREA, AROUND TICK  
5 CANYON AND ALSO THE AREA AROUND SPRING CANYON. THE SHADOW  
6 PINES ROAD REGION AND THE SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD REGION ARE  
7 BASICALLY THE ONLY REMAINING AREAS OF OPEN SPACE LEFT BETWEEN  
8 THE SIERRA PELONA, WHICH IS THE MOUNTAIN RANGE THAT EXTENDS  
9 NORTH UP TOWARD GORMAN AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE SANTA  
10 CLARA RIVER. THAT MEANS ALL THE WILD ANIMALS THAT NEED TO GO  
11 BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN THE RIVER AS PART OF THEIR LIFE CYCLE  
12 AND THE MOUNTAINS CAN GO FREELY NOW BECAUSE THERE'S STILL OPEN  
13 SPACE. BUT THEY WON'T SOON. AND I THINK IT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP  
14 EARLIER TODAY, IT'S NOT JUST THIS PROJECT. IT'S NOT JUST THE  
15 NEXT PROJECT, BUT IT IS THE ACCUMULATION OF PROJECT AFTER  
16 PROJECT. IT'S VERY HARD TO SAY THAT A SINGLE PROJECT HAS A  
17 MAJOR EFFECT. BUT IT'S CERTAINLY EASY TO SAY THAT IF YOU LOOK  
18 AT A PLACE LIKE CENTRAL SANTA CLARITA, LET'S SAY AROUND  
19 MCBEAN, OR BOUQUET CANYON ROAD, THERE IS NO CONNECTION LEFT  
20 BETWEEN THE RIVER AND UPLAND HABITAT. YOU'VE JUST GOT A  
21 CHANNELIZED RIVER. AND I THINK THAT'S THE KIND OF URBANIZED  
22 LANDSCAPE A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO AVOID. AND I'LL  
23 RESTRICT MY COMMENTS TO THAT CONCEPT. THERE ARE NUMEROUS  
24 SENSITIVE SPECIES THAT ARE KNOWN FOR THE PROJECT AREA. SOME OF  
25 THEM HAVE SOME BEEN BROUGHT UP. THESE HAVE DIFFERENT HABITAT





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1 REQUIREMENTS AND LIFE HISTORY NEEDS. SOME ARE RESTRICTED TO  
2 UNIQUE HABITATS SUCH AS VERNAL POOLS AS OCCUR IN PLUM CANYON,  
3 WHICH ARE ALMOST NOW DESTROYED. SOME ARE PRONE TO EXTINCTION  
4 BECAUSE OF TOO FREQUENT FIRE, AND THAT'S BEEN A PROBLEM  
5 WHEREVER YOU BUILD NEW HOMES IN A FIRE ZONE, YOU GET MORE  
6 IGNITIONS, MORE ROADS, YOU GET MORE PEOPLE PLAYING WITH  
7 MATCHES. SOME ARE PRONE TO COLLISIONS BY AUTOMOBILES. BUILD  
8 MORE ROADS, YOU HAVE MORE COLLISIONS. SOME ARE AQUATIC SPECIES  
9 THAT ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO CHANGES IN THE WATER REGIME, EITHER  
10 IRRIGATION OR TREATED WATER BEING PUT INTO THE RIVER AND  
11 AFFECTING MICROORGANISMS. JUST CHANGES IN WATER VELOCITY, FLOW  
12 VELOCITY AND WATER LEVEL. A LOT OF THESE SPECIES ARE SPARSELY  
13 DISTRIBUTED. THEY'RE NOT IN ONE PROJECT SITE, BUT THEY'RE  
14 SPARSE THROUGHOUT A BUNCH OF THEM. OR THEY ONLY OCCUR FOR PART  
15 OF THE YEAR ON A PROJECT SITE. AND I MENTIONED THE OPEN  
16 COUNTRY SPECIES, LIKE JACK RABBIT, WHICH WE JUST DON'T HAVE  
17 ANYMORE. SO IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THEY DON'T  
18 CONTINUE TO LOSE GROUND. ONE OF MY CLIENTS AS A CONSULTANT IS  
19 THE PUNTA HILLS LANDFILL AUTHORITY OUT IN THE SOUTHEAST AREA  
20 OF THE COUNTY. AND PEOPLE TALK A LOT ABOUT WILDLIFE CORRIDORS,  
21 HOW THERE ARE CORRIDORS BUILT INTO THESE PROJECTS. AND WE HAVE  
22 A BIG CORRIDOR ACROSS HARBOR BOULEVARD. AND UNFORTUNATELY, WE  
23 HAVEN'T SEEN THAT REDUCED IT'S KILLS ALONG HARBOR. WE'VE SEEN  
24 THAT ANIMALS ARE STILL BEING KILLED EVEN AS THEY USE THE  
25 UNDERPASS. SO IT'S REALLY NOT A SOLUTION. SO I WOULD ASK YOU



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1 TO TAKE A VERY CAREFUL LOOK AT SOME OF THE QUOTE-UNQUOTE  
2 "SOLUTIONS" BEING PROPOSED AND TRY TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THEY  
3 ACTUALLY HAVE A PROSPECT OF WORKING. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK  
8 YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. JUST A FEW THINGS. AND I'M NOT SURE IF THIS  
9 IS RELEVANT. WELL, I THINK IT'S RELEVANT, I DON'T KNOW IF IT  
10 IS RELEVANT TO THIS PROJECT. BUT THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL IS  
11 OPPOSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA AROUND THE 14 AND THE 5  
12 FREEWAY. IF YOU OKAY THESE PRACTICES BETWEEN ITEM NUMBER 1 AND  
13 ITEM NUMBER 17, YOU ARE PLANNING ON 1,032 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES  
14 IN THE AREA. HOW FAR DOWN THE CALL LIST FOR M.T.A. PROJECTS IS  
15 HIGHWAY ROAD IMPROVEMENT FOR THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA TO  
16 HANDLE THIS INCREASED INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WILL BRING ABOUT  
17 INCREASED TRAFFIC AND ALL THE THINGS THAT COME WITH IT? IF YOU  
18 OKAY THESE ITEMS, THESE DEVELOPMENTS, WILL YOU ENSURE THAT  
19 BEST USE PRACTICES ARE EMPLOYED FOR GREENING OF THE  
20 RESIDENCES, WATER RECYCLING AND RECLAMATION AND THEY BE ENERGY  
21 EFFICIENT AND WATER DRAINAGE. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION NEEDS? THE  
22 DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO FULFILL ANY NEEDS FOR THAT, TO  
23 REQUIRE SHELTERS, BUS SHELTERS, ANY KIND OF PUBLIC  
24 TRANSPORTATION. HOW WILL THAT -- YOU'RE CALLING FOR CUTS IN  
25 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION RIGHT NOW. BUS LINES ARE BEING



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1 ELIMINATED. WILL THERE BE ANY KIND OF BUS SERVICE THAT WOULD  
2 BE PROVIDED THROUGH THIS AREA TO MAYBE IMPACT THE POPULATION  
3 SO THEY'LL HAVE AN ALTERNATE USE, ALTERNATE WAY OF TRAVELING?  
4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, A COUPLE MONTHS AGO YOU WROTE A LETTER  
5 TO THE EDITOR STATING THAT THE PALMDALE LANCASTER AREA AND THE  
6 14 FREEWAY ARE RIPE FOR DEVELOPMENT, THAT THE PALMDALE AIRPORT  
7 NEEDS TO BE DEVELOPED. BUT THERE WAS NO MENTION OF HOW YOU'RE  
8 GOING TO BRING PEOPLE FROM L.A. TO THE AIRPORT. HOW ARE YOU  
9 GOING TO FULFILL THE TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE  
10 NEEDED TO MOVE THE GOODS AND THE PEOPLE FROM POINT A TO POINT  
11 B?

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE STARTED THE BUS SERVICE THIS WEEK.

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15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** CONGRATULATIONS.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOUGHT YOU'D BE THERE FOR THE DEDICATION.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** CAN ONLY BE IN SO MANY PLACES AT ONE TIME, SIR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUSY MAN, ARNOLD.

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND THEN I ALSO WANTED TO SAY THEY STATED  
24 THEY'RE GOING TO PUT SOME REGULATION PLAYGROUND AREAS IN AND  
25 REGULATION FIELDS OR FIELDS AND SOCCER AND BASEBALL. THERE WAS



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1 A DEVELOPMENT IN EL SEGUNDO THAT THEY PROMISED TO PUT A SOCCER  
2 FIELD IN, BUT IT WASN'T REGULATION. WILL THE FIELDS THAT ARE  
3 BEING MENTIONED, WILL THEY BE REGULATION SIZE AND BE ABLE TO  
4 BE USED THAT WAY? AND THE WATER BOARD. THEY DO A LOT OF  
5 PROTECTING. DO THEY SACRIFICE ANY KIND OF ANIMALS TO ASSURE  
6 ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE REGION? THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME  
7 AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THANK YOU, ARNOLD. LET ME ASK THE  
10 DEPARTMENT SOME QUESTIONS. ONE OF THE GENTLEMAN HAD INDICATED,  
11 I BELIEVE IT WAS THE FIRST GENTLEMAN WHO SPOKE ON THAT, THERE  
12 COULD BE A PREVENTION OF ACCESS TO PROPERTIES. IS TICK CANYON  
13 PREVENTING ANY TYPE OF ACCESS TO ANY PROPERTIES?

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15 **SUSAN TAE:** NOT THAT STAFF IS AWARE OF. THE DESIGN PROJECT THAT  
16 HAS BEEN CLEARED FOR TECHNICAL PURPOSES THROUGH THE  
17 SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE DOES DEPICT A ROAD AND ASSOCIATED  
18 EASEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY OWNER TO THE NORTH. A PREVIOUS  
19 DESIGN HAS SHOWN THE ROAD FULLY PAVED TO THE PROPERTY  
20 BOUNDARY. HOWEVER, THAT REQUIRES GRADING OFFSITE WHICH THE  
21 OWNER WAS NOT ABLE TO ACQUIRE. THEREFORE THE TAP STREETS ENDS  
22 AS CURRENTLY DEPICTED.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THIS PROPOSAL ALREADY COMPLIES TO THE  
2   GENERAL PLAN. THE QUESTION IS HOW MANY HOMES DOES THE GENERAL  
3   PLAN PERMIT?

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5   **SUSAN TAE:** THE MAXIMUM PERMITTED BY THE PLAN IS 494.

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7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ONE OF THE SPEAKERS INDICATED IT WAS ONLY  
8   FOR 34, OR 44 HOMES. THIS ONE IS FOR, WHAT? 401?

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10   **SUSAN TAE:** THE PROPOSAL IS FOR 492 HOMES.

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12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MANY?

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14   **SUSAN TAE:** 492.

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16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE PERSON WHO SAID THAT IT WAS ONLY FOR  
17   34, PR 44 HOMES, THAT'S NOT WHAT THE GENERAL PLAN CALLED FOR.

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19   **SUSAN TAE:** CORRECT.

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND NOW THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA I  
22   UNDERSTAND HAD SOME PROBLEMS BUT YET THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE  
23   WORKED WITH THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, SO THEY HAVE WITHDRAWN  
24   THEIR OBJECTIONS. WHAT DID YOU DO TO MITIGATE THEIR CONCERNS?

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1   **SUSAN TAE:** IT WAS PRIMARILY THE APPLICANT WHO HAD WORKED WITH  
2   THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA TO ADDRESS THEIR CONCERNS. THIS WAS  
3   THROUGH THE COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS. THE APPLICANT  
4   HAD WORKED WITH THE CITY TO ENSURE THAT THE TRAILS CONNECTED.  
5   THROUGH THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA AND THE JOINT USE WITH THE  
6   FLOOD CONTROL ACCESS ROAD, THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA HAS ALSO  
7   MET IN TERMS OF THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT WITH THE APPLICANT,  
8   AND AS, SUPERVISOR, YOU HAD MENTIONED, THE CITY OF SANTA  
9   CLARITA HAS SUBMITTED ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE  
10   COMMISSION AT THAT TIME THAT THE CITY WAS IN SUPPORT OF THE  
11   PROJECT.

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13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE COUNTY PERFORM ADDITIONAL WATER  
14   ANALYSIS REQUIRED FOR THE PROJECT OF 500 OR MORE UNITS?

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16   **SUSAN TAE:** YES. THAT HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT.

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18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOUR ANALYSIS INDICATED THAT IT WAS  
19   APPROPRIATE TO HAVE AN APPROVAL FOR THIS PROJECT?

20

21   **SUSAN TAE:** YES.

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, I TALKED TO ONE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
24   HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION ABOUT THE NEIGHBORING DEVELOPMENT. BUT  
25   FROM THIS PROJECT, WE HAVE A 17-ACRE IMPROVED PARK WITH SOCCER





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1 FIELDS, BASEBALL FIELDS, BASKETBALL COURTS, VOLLEYBALL COURT  
2 AS WAS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, AN AREA FOR THE DISABLED SO IT'S  
3 FULLY ACCESSIBLE, HORSESHOE PITS, BARBECUE PITS AREAS, AND  
4 OPEN PLAY FIELDS. THERE'S ALSO A BICYCLE CONNECTION, WE HAVE A  
5 PROJECT HERE THAT'S GOING TO PROVIDE A BICYCLE TRAIL  
6 CONNECTING TO AN ADJOINING TRAIL TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA.  
7 ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE AND I PUT IN THE MOTION IS  
8 THAT WE NOT HAVE REPETITIVE TYPES OF HOMES. WE WOULD ALTERNATE  
9 THE APPEARANCE SO IT'S NOT AS STERILE. BUT I WOULD MOVE THIS  
10 PROJECT WHICH INCLUDES, AS I SAID, THE 17-ACRE PARK, WITH  
11 CRITICAL SECONDARY ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS IN THE SHADOW PINES,  
12 LIVING NEAR SHADOW PINES ROAD, AND ALSO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL  
13 CONDITION RELATIVE TO THE APPEARANCE OF THE HOMES SO THEY'RE  
14 NOT REPETITIVE. AND THAT WE WOULD CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING,  
15 CERTIFYING THE E.I.R., ADOPTING THE FINDINGS OF MITIGATION  
16 MONITORING PROGRAM AND STATEMENT OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS  
17 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL PREPARING THE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS,  
18 WITH THAT CONDITION REQUIRING THAT APPROPRIATE FEASIBLE DESIGN  
19 CONTROLS, SETBACKS AND OTHER MEASURES IN THE PROJECT'S MASTER  
20 DESIGN STANDARDS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR OF  
21 REGIONAL PLANNING. SO THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION, MADAME CHAIR.

22  
23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
24 ORDERED.



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS IS ON ITEM NUMBER 3. ITEM NUMBER 4.  
2 THIS IS THE COMBINED HEARING ON ZONING CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL  
3 USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 04-124-(5), AND VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT  
4 MAP NUMBER 060999-(5), AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
5 RELATING TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF WHITES CANYON  
6 ROAD, AT THE SOUTHERLY TERMINUS OF HOUSTON COURT, SAND CANYON  
7 ZONED DISTRICT, PETITIONED BY CASEY BEYER/JOHN LAING HOMES.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** COULD SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WOULD YOU MIND  
10 IF WE CALL UP NUMBER 9? I THINK THAT THERE ARE JUST SOME  
11 PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO JUST SIMPLY SAY THEIR SUPPORT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S NOT CONTROVERSIAL. SANDRA RUDNICK,  
16 COUNTY COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. JACQUELYN  
17 MCCROSKEY, AND BONNIE ARMSTRONG, COULD YOU COME UP? THEY  
18 WANTED TO JUST INDICATE THEIR SUPPORT. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
19 YOU HAD SOME COMMENTS ON IT, ALSO? YES, PLEASE STATE YOUR  
20 NAME.

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22 **SANDRA RUDNICK:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SANDRA RUDNICK, A  
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE APPOINTEE TO THE COMMISSION OF CHILDREN AND  
24 FAMILIES. IN 2004, AS MANDATED BY YOUR BOARD, THE COMMISSION  
25 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES WORKED TO



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1 DEVELOP A PLAN TO PREVENT CHILDREN FROM ENTERING THE FOSTER  
2 CARE SYSTEM. WITH ANGELA CARTER FROM D.C.F.S., I CO-CHAIR  
3 THIS EFFORT FROM THE BEGINNING. THE PREVENTION INITIATIVE WAS  
4 DEVELOPED WITH INPUT FROM SEVERAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,  
5 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, CAREGIVERS, FOSTER FAMILY  
6 AGENCIES, FORMER FOSTER YOUTH, U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK  
7 AND THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY. DR. DAVID SANDERS CALLED THE  
8 PLAN A BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE. THIS IS THE PLAN ON WHICH THE  
9 PREVENTION INITIATIVE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT IS BASED. IT WAS  
10 RECOGNIZED FROM THE START THAT MANY DEPARTMENTS NEEDED TO PLAY  
11 A ROLE IN PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND THAT D.C.F.S.  
12 COULD NOT ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS ENDEAVOR. THE  
13 PLAN ENCOURAGES RESIDENTS TO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF THE RESOURCES  
14 THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM WITHIN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. THE  
15 HOPE IS THAT THIS WILL HELP TO END THE SENSE OF ISOLATION MANY  
16 PEOPLE FEEL AND BUILD TRUST IN THE AGENCIES THAT ARE THERE TO  
17 OFFER HELP. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO BE PERCEIVED AS A PARTNER AND  
18 SOMEONE TO BE TRUSTED, NOT AS AN ADVERSARY. AND BY TREATING  
19 PEOPLE WITH RESPECT AND IN A CULTURALLY SENSITIVE MANNER, THIS  
20 CAN BE ACHIEVED. IN RESPONSE TO THE COMMISSION AND THE  
21 D.C.F.S. PLAN IN MARCH 2006, SUPERVISORS KNABE AND YAROSLAVSKY  
22 INTRODUCED THE MOTION INSTRUCTING THE OFFICE OF THE C.E.O. TO  
23 DEVELOP AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE PREVENTION INITIATIVE.  
24 THE CHILDREN'S COMMISSION IS IN COMPLETE SUPPORT OF THIS PLAN  
25 AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THE PLANNING FROM THE START. THE



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1 COMMISSION FEELS STRONGLY THAT THIS APPROACH WILL HELP TO STEM  
2 THE FLOW OF CHILDREN ENTERING THE SYSTEM. SEVERAL CITIES  
3 ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE TRIED SIMILAR APPROACHES WITH SUCCESS.  
4 WE HOPE TO REPLICATE THESE SUCCESSES HERE. BY STRENGTHENING  
5 THE FAMILY'S CAPACITY TO TAKE CARE AND NURTURE THEIR CHILDREN,  
6 THE NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF SOME COMMUNITIES WILL BE MITIGATED. WE  
7 KNOW THE GOVERNMENT WAS NEVER INTENDED TO RAISE CHILDREN.  
8 THESE PLANS WILL HELP THOSE FAMILIES WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO  
9 HOLD ONTO THEIR CHILDREN AND RAISE THEM IN A RESPONSIBLE  
10 MANNER. THANK YOU.

11

12 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** MY NAME IS JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY. I'M A  
13 PROFESSOR AT U.S.C. AT THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK. AS SANDRA  
14 SAID, WE ARE ALL VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES IN FRONT  
15 OF YOU TODAY. WE'VE BEEN TALKING FOR FOUR YEARS NOW ABOUT  
16 ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE STRENGTHS-BASED, COMMUNITY-BASED  
17 SET OF NETWORKS THAT GOES BEYOND COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND REALLY  
18 CREATES A BETTER PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OUR EXISTING COMMUNITY-  
19 BASED NETWORKS AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO REACH OUT A HAND TO  
20 FAMILIES ALL OVER THE COUNTY. IT WAS CLEAR FROM THE BEGINNING  
21 THAT WITH A ONE YEAR PROCESS LIKE THIS, WE NEEDED TO BE VERY  
22 CLEAR ABOUT EVALUATION AND WE NEEDED TO THINK AHEAD OF TIME  
23 ABOUT WHAT WOULD BE THE MOST USEFUL DATA TO COLLECT THAT COULD  
24 REALLY INFORM COUNTY DECISION MAKING AS WELL AS REINFORCING  
25 THE EFFORTS OF THESE COMMUNITY-BASED NETWORKS. SO ON BEHALF OF



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1 THE U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND WORKING WITH DR. PETER  
2 PECORA AT CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS, HE AND I HAVE PULLED TOGETHER  
3 A GROUP OF EVALUATORS TO BEGIN TO THINK ABOUT WHAT KIND OF  
4 INFORMATION A ONE-YEAR EVALUATION COULD BRING THAT WOULD  
5 REALLY BE USEFUL TO YOU, USEFUL TO D.C.F.S., AND OTHER COUNTY  
6 DEPARTMENTS, AND VERY USEFUL TO THE C.B.O. NETWORKS AS THEY'RE  
7 ROLLING OUT THEIR PLAN. I THINK WE'VE FIGURED OUT A WAY TO USE  
8 EXISTING RESOURCES, NOT ONLY THOSE THAT I MENTIONED BEFORE,  
9 BUT THOSE THAT ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY WITH FIRST FIVE L.A. AS  
10 YOU ALL KNOW FIRST FIVE L.A. HAS DEVELOPED A CONSIDERABLE  
11 NUMBER OF RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS AND WE'VE BEEN CALLING ON EACH  
12 ONE OF THOSE PARTNERS TO COME TO THIS TABLE AND TO HELP THE  
13 COUNTY IN TERMS OF EVALUATING THIS VERY IMPORTANT PREVENTION  
14 EFFORT. SO I THINK WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO USE THE BEST  
15 EFFORTS OF MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL  
16 AS THOSE WHO COME TO US FROM CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS TO GET  
17 INFORMATION, VERY USEFUL INFORMATION, ON BEST PRACTICES, ON  
18 HOW WE REPLICATE AND SUSTAIN THE BEST OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN  
19 THROUGH THESE KINDS OF PARTNERSHIPS, AND WHAT FAMILIES HAVE TO  
20 SAY. WHAT'S REALLY MOST USEFUL TO THEM IN TERMS OF HELPING AND  
21 SUPPORTING THEIR OWN CHILDREN AND THEIR BEST EFFORTS TO RAISE  
22 THEIR FAMILIES TOWARDS SELF-SUFFICIENCY.

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24 **BONNIE ARMSTRONG:** AND I'M BONNIE ARMSTRONG. I'M THE DIRECTOR  
25 OF STRATEGIC CONSULTING FOR CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS IN LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY. AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MY BOSS, DR. DAVID  
2 SANDERS, AND ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES AT CASEY TO CONGRATULATE YOU  
3 ON THIS INITIATIVE. AS YOU KNOW, CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS IS THE  
4 LARGEST OPERATING FOUNDATION IN THE COUNTRY FOCUSED ON  
5 IMPROVING CONDITIONS FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE IN THE FOSTER CARE  
6 SYSTEM. AND OUR GOAL IS TO REDUCE BY HALF THE NUMBER OF  
7 CHILDREN WHO ARE IN FOSTER CARE IN THIS COUNTRY BY THE YEAR  
8 2020 SAFELY AND REINVESTING THE SAVINGS. THAT'S WHAT DR.  
9 SANDERS AND WE ARE WORKING ON IN JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE  
10 COUNTRY. I AM HERE TO SHOW THE SUPPORT FOR THIS INITIATIVE IN  
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. YOU HAVE BEEN VERY COURAGEOUS AND IN FACT  
12 LEADERS IN THE NATION IN TERMS OF THE INITIATIVES THAT YOU  
13 HAVE ADOPTED AND THEIR SUCCESS IN REDUCING THE NUMBER OF  
14 CHILDREN THAT YOU HAVE IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE. WE'RE HERE TO  
15 SUPPORT THIS CONTINUING AND DEEPENING AND STRENGTHENING OF  
16 THAT WORK AND COMMEND YOU ON YOUR VISION AND COURAGE. SO ON  
17 BEHALF OF US, WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTNERING BOTH WITH  
18 YOU, WITH D.C.F.S. AND WITH ALL OF THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I JUST WOULD WANT TO ADD TO BEGIN  
23 WITH THAT TRISH AND HER STAFF, THE C.E.O. AND THEIR STAFF AND  
24 CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND CASEY FOUNDATION, AND EVERYONE  
25 INVOLVED, AND ALL OF YOU TAKING THE TIME TO COME DOWN HERE AND





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1 TESTIFY, OUR HEARTFELT THANKS. IT'S TAKEN A LOT OF TIME AND  
2 EFFORT TO GET TO THIS PARTICULAR POINT, WHEN ZEV AND I MADE  
3 THE MOTION A FEW YEARS AGO. SO I THINK IT REALLY CONTINUES TO  
4 BUILD ON OUR EFFORT TO REDUCE THE TIME IN FOSTER CARE AND ALL  
5 THE OTHER PROGRAMS COMING TOGETHER, BUT I AGREE. THIS IS SORT  
6 OF CUTTING EDGE KINDS OF THINGS THAT COULD REALLY BE A  
7 NATIONAL MODEL. SO WE APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S EFFORT TO GET TO  
8 THIS POINT. AND HOPEFULLY WE CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD AND BE  
9 AGGRESSIVE IN MOVING FORWARD AND BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER. BUT  
10 IT WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT A WHOLE BUNCH OF FOLKS  
11 GETTING TOGETHER AND WILLINGNESS TO WORK TOGETHER. SO, AGAIN,  
12 TO ALL OF YOU, SANDRA, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. APPRECIATE IT.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO ADD MY -- WELL FIRST  
15 COMMENDATION TO THE DEPARTMENT. AND THEIR COMPLIMENTS FOR --  
16 THE WORK THEY'VE DONE THE LAST TWO YEARS. WE KNOW THAT THE  
17 PREVENTION -- AND THIS CONCEPT IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS OF TITLE  
18 4E WAIVER. AND WE HAVE TO WORK ON WAYS TO KEEP CHILDREN OUT OF  
19 THE SYSTEM AND TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FAMILIES ARE INVOLVED AS  
20 SOON AS POSSIBLE IN DECISIONS AS IT RELATES TO THEIR FUTURE.  
21 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANKS TO THE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU  
22 FOR ALL OF YOUR COOPERATION AND HELP. AND WE CERTAINLY LOOK  
23 FORWARD TO THIS BEING SUCCESSFUL AGAIN.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR, LET ME ALSO THANK THEM FOR  
2    DEVELOPING PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO REACH THESE CHILDREN  
3    WHO ARE SO IN WANT OF THE SERVICES THAT REQUIRE THEM TO GROW  
4    UP HEALTHY. AND TWO WEEKS AGO, I HOSTED THE SUMMIT AT THE  
5    ARBORETUM WHERE WE BROUGHT TOGETHER THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
6    LEADERS FROM CHILD WELFARE REGARDING DENTAL HEALTH AND  
7    PHILANTHROPY TO BEGIN DEVELOPING PREVENTATIVE DENTAL HEALTH  
8    PARTNERSHIPS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN. AND WE HAD A GREAT, LET'S  
9    SAY, DEAL OF SUPPORT FROM THE VARIOUS DENTAL PROFESSIONALS  
10   THAT WERE THERE. ONE FROM THE WEST LOS ANGELES, ANOTHER FROM  
11   SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, ALL RECOGNIZING THE NEED. AND THIS IS ONE  
12   AREA THAT TENDS TO BE OVERLOOKED. AND PEOPLE REALIZE -- FAIL  
13   TO REALIZE THAT POOR DENTAL HEALTH, POOR DENTAL HYGIENE CAN  
14   ALSO LEAD TO DEATH. AND THE DEAN FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF  
15   SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DENTAL SCHOOL GAVE A VERY PROFOUND TALK  
16   WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF VICTIMS OF POOR DENTAL HYGIENE, WHICH ALSO  
17   HAD LED TO DEATH. AND THIS IS ONE AREA THAT TENDS TO GET  
18   OVERLOOKED. WE ALWAYS LOOK AT THE CHILD HAS TO HAVE  
19   IMMUNIZATION, THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. BUT ALONG WITH THAT IS  
20   GOOD DENTAL HEALTH. AND WE'RE GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD AND  
21   DEVELOPING SOME STRONGER PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO REACH  
22   THAT OVERLOOKED NEED IN OUR COUNTY. SO WE THANK -- AND THEY  
23   WERE AT THE EVENT AS WELL. SO THANK YOU.  
24



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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ALSO JUST DITTO TO WHAT EVERYBODY  
2    ELSE HAS SAID. I WANT TO THANK THE THREE OF YOU AND OUR  
3    DEPARTMENT STAFF. THIS IS CUTTING EDGE STUFF. THE DEPARTMENT  
4    OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS TAKING A RISK, IT'S A RISK  
5    WORTH TAKING. AND I THINK THE CONFIDENCE LEVEL THAT WE HAVE AS  
6    A COUNTY FAMILY IS ENHANCED SUBSTANTIALLY BY DAVID SANDERS AND  
7    THE CASEY FOUNDATION'S INVOLVEMENT IN THIS. AND THE KEY HERE  
8    IS TO BRING THE PONIES HOME, TO STAY WITH IT, STICK WITH IT,  
9    DEVELOP THE DATA. JACQUELYN, YOU'RE FOND OF TALKING ABOUT  
10   DATA. SO THAT WE KNOW WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T SO THAT WE  
11   CAN BUILD ON WHAT WORKS AND JUNK WHAT DOESN'T. I THINK WE'RE  
12   GOING TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES IN THIS  
13   TOWN, IN THIS COUNTY, FOR A GENERATION OR MORE. SO WE'RE  
14   LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS. THANK YOU.

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16   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

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18   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COULD I GET A MOTION ON THAT?

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20   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.  
21   WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

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23   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE BACK ON ITEM 4 AND I BELIEVE THAT  
2 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION.

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4 **RAMON CORDOVA:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE  
5 BOARD. MY NAME IS RAMON CORDOVA AND I'M A SENIOR PLANNING  
6 ASSISTANT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE  
7 PROJECT BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING IS A REQUEST FOR A RESIDENTIAL  
8 DEVELOPMENT OF 42 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS, ONE PUBLIC FACILITY LOT,  
9 ONE OPEN SPACE LOT AND ONE PRIVATE PARK WITHIN THE VICINITY OF  
10 PLUM CANYON IN THE SAND CANYON ZONE DISTRICT. THE PROJECT ALSO  
11 REQUESTS A ZONE CHANGE FROM HEAVY AGRICULTURAL TO A  
12 RESIDENTIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, 5,000 SQUARE FEET MINIMUM  
13 REQUIRED LOT AREA, FIVE UNITS TO THE NET ACRE ZONE. VESTING  
14 TENTATIVE MAP A MAP HAS BEEN FILED TO AUTHORIZE THE  
15 SUBDIVISION OF THESE LOTS. A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT HAS ALSO  
16 BEEN FILED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
17 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND DENSITY CONTROLLED DEVELOPMENT AS WELL  
18 AS ON-SITE PROJECT GRADING THAT EXCEEDS 100,000 CUBIC YARDS. A  
19 MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS  
20 PROJECT WHICH CONCLUDES THAT THIS PROJECT WILL NOT EXCEED THE  
21 ESTABLISHED THRESHOLDS CRITERIA FOR ANY ENVIRONMENTAL FACTOR,  
22 AND AS A RESULT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE  
23 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT. THIS PROJECT WAS BEFORE THE REGIONAL  
24 PLANNING COMMISSION IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER OF 2006. INITIAL  
25 CONCERNS RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING INCLUDED THE NEED FOR



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1 ENLARGEMENT OF THE PROPOSED PRIVATE PARK AND ITS ANNEXATION  
2 INTO THE EXISTING HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. THE PARK WAS  
3 INCREASED IN SIZE FROM 3,500 SQUARE FEET TO 26,500 FEET, A  
4 TOTAL OF 70 PERCENT OF OPEN SPACE, AND IS PROVIDED WITHIN THE  
5 PROJECT. DURING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, THE APPLICANT AGREED TO  
6 MEET WITH EXISTING HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS TO ADDRESS THEIR  
7 CONCERNS REGARDING THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE PROPOSED PRIVATE  
8 PARK AND ITS ANNEXATION. THE COMMISSION APPROVED THE  
9 SUBDIVISION AND THIS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT ON MARCH 28TH,  
10 2007, WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATION THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE THE  
11 ZONE CHANGE. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION, AND STAFF IS  
12 AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME.

13  
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE'S CASEY BEYERS AND STEVE PENN, ARE THE  
15 ONLY TWO THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

16  
17 **CASEY BEYER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
18 OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO BE HERE TODAY TO  
19 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. I'LL MAKE MY COMMENTS BRIEF. MY NAME IS  
20 CASEY BEYER, I'M THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR OF JOHN  
21 LAING HOMES. AS THE REPORT STATED, OUR 42-UNIT DEVELOPMENT IS  
22 ADJACENT TO A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION CALLED ST. CLAIRE  
23 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
24 COMMISSION, THEY SUGGESTED THAT WE WORK WITH THE BOARD TO  
25 ARRIVE AT A LARGER PARK THAT PROVIDED AMENITIES FOR THE



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1 COMMUNITY. WE MET IN A SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH THE LOCAL  
2 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CREATED A  
3 CONSENSUS PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PARK THAT HAS A TOT  
4 LOT, A BARBECUE AREA, A PICNIC AREA AND FACILITIES FOR YOUNG  
5 CHILDREN TO PLAY AND KICK A BALL. THE SECOND POINT WAS WHETHER  
6 OR NOT OUR DEVELOPMENT, THE 42-UNIT PROJECT, WOULD BE  
7 ESTABLISHED TO FIT INTO COMPATIBILITY WITH THE LOCAL  
8 COMMUNITY, THE 361 HOMES OF THE ST. CLAIRE COMMUNITY. JOHN  
9 LAING HOMES BUILT THAT COMMUNITY SEVERAL YEARS AGO, AND WE'RE  
10 DELIGHTED TO SAY THAT WE HAVE COME TO AN AGREEMENT TO ANNEX  
11 OUR 42-UNIT PROJECT INTO THE ST. CLAIRE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
12 UPON APPROVAL OF THIS BY THIS BOARD. I WANT TO COMMENT AND  
13 COMPLIMENT THE L.A. REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF FOR ITS  
14 DUE DILIGENCE AND HARD WORK AND BEING RESPONSIVE AND  
15 RESPECTFUL TO OUR CONCERNS AND QUESTIONS OVER THE LAST TWO  
16 YEARS, AND WE RECOMMEND SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **STEVE PENN:** MY NAME IS STEVE PENN, REPRESENTING JOHN LAING  
19 HOMES. I'D JUST LIKE TO SECOND WHAT CASEY SAID AND THANK THE  
20 STAFF AND THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. WE WORKED  
21 COLLABORATIVELY WITH THEM AND I BELIEVE WE'VE COME UP WITH A  
22 PROJECT THAT FITS VERY WELL WITH THE EXISTING COMMUNITY. AND  
23 IT'S REALLY KIND OF, I THINK, JUST A TESTAMENT TO WORKING  
24 TOGETHER BOTH WITH STAFF AND NEIGHBORS TO COME UP WITH A  
25 PROJECT THAT'S POSITIVE FOR EVERYBODY. THANK YOU.





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO COMPLIMENT YOU ON  
3 WORKING WITH THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION RELATIVE TO THE PARK  
4 AND THE DISTRICT AND ALL. IT'S VERY POSITIVE. I SAY EARLIER, I  
5 MET WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. AND HE  
6 WAS VERY COMPLIMENTARY HOW EVERYBODY WAS ABLE TO WORK  
7 TOGETHER, ESPECIALLY ON THE PARK, WHICH IS NEEDED IN THAT  
8 AREA. SO IF THERE'S NO OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP ON THIS  
9 ITEM I'D MAKE THE FOLLOWING MOTION THAT THE BOARD MOVE FORWARD  
10 TO INCORPORATE TO ENSURE THAT THE PROPOSED PARK FOR THE  
11 PROJECT IS ADEQUATE TO SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE  
12 PROPOSED SUBDIVISION WITH ADDITIONAL TIME THAT'S REQUIRED TO  
13 REFLECT MINOR CHANGES RELATIVE TO THE SLOPE AREAS ON SOME OF  
14 THE LOTS AND RESOLVE AN OUTSTANDING ISSUE CONCERNING THE  
15 SEWAGE CONNECTIONS TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA. ALL THOSE  
16 ISSUES HAVE BEEN RESOLVED. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD KEEP THE  
17 PUBLIC HEARING OPEN ON ZONE CHANGE C.U.P. INVESTING TENTATIVE  
18 MAP 060999, SEND TRACT 060999 ALONG WITH THE CORRESPONDING  
19 ZONE CHANGE, C.U.P. BACK TO THE SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE FOR THE  
20 REDESIGN WITH DIRECTIONS TO THE STAFF TO INCORPORATE THE  
21 FOLLOWING CHANGES: INCREASE THE PARK TO ONE ACRE IN SIZE BY  
22 RELINING D STREET TO CREATE A FOUR-WAY INTERSECTION AT HOUSTON  
23 COURT, ALLOWING FOR A PRIVATE DRIVEWAY FIRE LANE AND WAIVING  
24 STREET FOOTAGE REQUIREMENTS ON THIS PRIVATE DRIVEWAY AND  
25 REQUIRE THAT INCLUDE KIDS' PLAYGROUND, BASKETBALL COURT, FOUR



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1 PICNIC TABLES AND SHADE STRUCTURE. AND THAT THE PARK BE  
2 CONSTRUCTED BEFORE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS FOR THE FIRST  
3 FOR SALES UNITS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
4 AND RECREATION. AND THAT THEY REQUIRE THAT ALL SLOPE AREAS ON  
5 THE REAR OF LOTS 13 THROUGH 23 BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE  
6 INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS, NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE  
7 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, AND RESOLVE THE OUTSTANDING SEWER  
8 STUDY ISSUE WITH THE CITY. SANTA CLARITA, WITH THIS TO BE  
9 RETURNED TO THE BOARD BY APRIL 22ND OR BEFORE.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? THIS IS ITEM 4. WITHOUT  
12 OBJECTION? SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 17. AND I'LL READ THE SHORT  
17 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE APPEAL OF CARMILLIS  
18 NOLTEMAYER ON BEHALF OF SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR  
19 PLANNING ENVIRONMENT. FROM APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO VESTING  
20 TENTATIVE TRACT MAY CASE NO. 48086-(5), LOCATED NORTH OF  
21 ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY AND SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD BETWEEN SHADOW  
22 PINES BOULEVARD AND AGUA DULCE CANYON ROAD, SOLEDAD ZONED  
23 DISTRICT.

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25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** REPORT?



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2 **RAMON CORDOVA:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
3 ONCE AGAIN, MY NAME IS RAMON CORDOVA AND I'M A SENIOR REGIONAL  
4 PLANNING ASSISTANT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING.  
5 THE PROJECT BEFORE YOU THIS AFTERNOON IS AN APPEAL OF THE  
6 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO  
7 TRACT 48086 IN THE UNINCORPORATED SANTA CLARITA VALLEY KNOWN  
8 AS SPRING CANYON. THE AMENDMENT WAS FIRST PRESENTED DURING THE  
9 AUGUST 21ST, 2007 HEARING OFFICER PUBLIC HEARING AND CONTINUED  
10 TO SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2007 AND SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2007. AND BEFORE  
11 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON JANUARY 9TH, 2008. THE  
12 AMENDED MAP INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING CHANGES. TO RELOCATE AN  
13 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE FROM THE ADJACENT TRACT TO THE  
14 SOUTHWEST CORNER WITHIN THIS TRACT. AND TO RELOCATE A WATER  
15 TANK AS REQUESTED BY THE WATER COMPANY AND OTHER TECHNICAL  
16 CHANGES, INCLUDING DRAINAGE AND GRADING. CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
17 RECEIVED FROM THE SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND  
18 THE ENVIRONMENT, KNOWN AS SCOPE, AND THE CALIFORNIA WATER  
19 IMPACT NETWORK ON WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS AND ALSO RECENT  
20 LITIGATION. THE LETTERS REQUESTED THAT THE HEARING OFFICER RE-  
21 EVALUATE THE WATER SUPPLY TO THE PROJECT BEFORE PROCEEDING.  
22 DURING THE HEARING OFFICER MEETING, THE APPLICANTS'  
23 REPRESENTATIVE STATED THAT THE AMENDMENT PROCESS WAS NOT THE  
24 APPROPRIATE VENUE TO REOPEN A PUBLIC HEARING. THE APPLICANT  
25 ALSO STATED THAT AMENDMENT CHANGES WERE DESIGNED TO



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1 ACCOMMODATE THE SULFUR SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE NEWHALL  
2 COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
3 PUBLIC WORKS. THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THIS  
4 PROJECT WAS CERTIFIED WITH YOUR BOARD'S ORIGINAL APPROVAL IN  
5 2004. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. AND STAFF IS AVAILABLE  
6 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK REGIONAL PLANNING, WHEN WAS THE  
9 TRACT MAP FOR THE SPRING CANYON ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY OUR  
10 BOARD?

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12 **RAMON CORDOVA:** IT WAS APPROVED ON AUGUST 3RD, 2004.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRIOR TO THAT APPROVAL, WAS THE TRACT  
15 APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION?

16

17 **RAMON CORDOVA:** YES, IT WAS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WAS THE COMMISSION AND BOARD'S ACTION AND  
20 APPROVAL OF A VESTING TENTATIVE MAP?

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22 **RAMON CORDOVA:** YES, IT WAS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE DEVELOPER SEEK ANY ADDITIONAL  
25 DENSITY WITH THIS AMENDMENT?



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2 **RAMON CORDOVA:** NO, HE DID NOT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID THE HEARING OFFICER AND REGIONAL PLANNING  
5 COMMISSION TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON THE PROPOSED AMENDED MAP?

6

7 **RAMON CORDOVA:** AS IT WAS A DISCUSSION ITEM, PUBLIC COMMENTS  
8 WERE TAKEN.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID THE HEARING OFFICER APPROVE THE AMENDED  
11 MAP?

12

13 **RAMON CORDOVA:** YES, HE DID.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE AMENDED  
16 MAP? AND WHAT WAS THE VOTE?

17

18 **RAMON CORDOVA:** YES, THEY DID AND IT WAS A 5-0 VOTE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE  
21 CHANGES THAT ARE BEING REQUESTED WERE BEING DRIVEN BY PUBLIC  
22 AGENCIES, NOT BY THE DEVELOPER?

23

24 **RAMON CORDOVA:** CORRECT.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO THE SCHOOL RELOCATION, THE WATER  
2    TANK RELOCATION.

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4    **RAMON CORDOVA:** YES.

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET ME ASK DAN MASNADA, THE GENERAL  
7    MANAGER OF CASTAIC'S WATER DISTRICT TO COME UP ONCE AGAIN.  
8    AGAIN, IN YOUR POSITION AS THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE WATER  
9    DISTRICT, WHAT IS YOUR ANALYSIS OF THIS PROPOSAL?

10

11   **DAN MASNADA:** YOU SAID GENERAL MANAGER. ACTUALLY I'M GENERAL  
12   MANAGER OF CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY. AND STEVE COLE, THE  
13   GENERAL MANAGER OF THE NEWHALL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT IS HERE  
14   AS WELL.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU WANT TO COME UP, TOO?

17

18   **DAN MASNADA:** AS I MENTIONED IN MY EARLIER TESTIMONY, WE'RE THE  
19   WHOLESALE. THE NEWHALL COUNTY IS ONE OF THE RETAILERS THAT I  
20   BELIEVE SERVE IN THIS PROJECT.

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU SEE NO PROBLEM WITH THE APPROVAL OF  
23   THIS PROJECT.

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1   **DAN MASNADA:** I DON'T, BUT I WOULD TURN THAT REQUEST OVER TO  
2   STEVE.

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4   **STEVEN L. COLE:** YES, I AGREE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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6   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. STEVEN L.  
7   COLE. I'M THE GENERAL MANAGER FOR NEWHALL COUNTY WATER  
8   DISTRICT.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AGAIN YOU SAID YOU HAD NO PROBLEM.

11

12   **STEVEN L. COLE:** THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND PUBLIC WORKS, WAS THE STAFF OF THE COUNTY  
15   INVOLVED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE URBAN MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR  
16   THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY?

17

18   **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE WERE, SUPERVISOR.

19

20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU CONCUR WITH THE TESTIMONY OF THE TWO  
21   AGENCIES?

22

23   **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES.

24

25   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THERE ANY SIGNED UP FOR THIS?



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANYONE WHO SIGNED UP? IF SO, WOULD  
3 YOU START COMING FORWARD.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JAMES BIZZELLE, CHARLES MOORE, CAROL  
6 MACHRMER, AND LISA FIMIANI. GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

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8 **JAMES BIZZELLE:** YOUR HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JAMES  
9 BIZZELLE, VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR PARDEE  
10 HOMES. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK STAFF FOR ALL OF THEIR SUPPORT  
11 WITH OUR SPRING CANYON PROJECT AND WHAT HAS BEEN NOTED, AS  
12 WELL, ALL THE CHANGES ARE REQUESTED BY SULFUR SPRINGS SCHOOL  
13 DISTRICT AND NEWHALL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT. AND THE REQUESTS  
14 ARE ONLY TO IMPROVE THIS PROJECT. SO WE HOPE AT THE END OF THE  
15 DAY THE BOARD WOULD VOTE APPROVAL FOR THIS PROJECT SO WE CAN  
16 BRING ON A SCHOOL SITE, A PUBLIC PARK SITE, A FIRE STATION  
17 SITE, A SUB-SHARE STATION SITE AND OF COURSE, HOMES. I'M HERE  
18 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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22 **CHARLES MOORE:** I'M CHARLES MOORE, I HAVE NOTHING TO ADD TO MR.  
23 BIZZELLE'S COMMENTS.

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1   **CAROL MACHRMER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CAROL MACHRMER, I'M A  
2   RESIDENT OF TICK CANYON, WHICH IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER FROM  
3   SPRING CANYON. I'M HERE TO SPEAK TODAY FOR A NUMBER OF TICK  
4   CANYON RESIDENTS THAT ARE OPPOSED TO THE DEVELOPMENT IN SPRING  
5   CANYON. I WAS ALSO ASKED SPECIFICALLY BY WAYNE CRAYTHORN OF  
6   30662 TICK CANYON ROAD, WHICH BORDERS SPRING CANYON, TO SAY  
7   THAT HE HAS NEVER BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND ONLY  
8   FOUND OUT ABOUT THE HEARING THE PAST FEW DAYS. THIS IS WHY HE  
9   WAS NOT ABLE TO BE HERE TODAY. HE HAS OWNED THIS PROPERTY FOR  
10   APPROXIMATELY 32 YEARS AND HE OPPOSES THIS DEVELOPMENT. OUR  
11   COUNTY AND OUR STATE HAVE BEEN CREATING A CONCRETE WILDERNESS  
12   WHICH NEEDS TO BE TURNED AROUND. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT NATURAL  
13   AREA WHERE NO MORE THAN MINIMUM DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE  
14   CONSIDERED, RANCHETTES OF 1 TO 5 ACRES. EVERY TIME WE ALLOW  
15   DEVELOPMENT WITH THE LEVEL OF DENSITY THAT'S BEING REQUESTED  
16   BY THE DEVELOPER TODAY, WATER AND RAIN GOES DOWN CONCRETE  
17   DRAINS INSTEAD OF INTO THE EARTH, HAMPERING THE MUCH NEEDED  
18   WATER CYCLE PROCESS. CLIMATE AND WATER ARE CRITICAL FACTORS  
19   THAT CAN BE MEASURED. CLIMATE AND WATER ARE HAVING AND WILL  
20   CONTINUE TO HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON ALL OF US. IT IS EASY  
21   TO PUT THESE ISSUES ON THE BACK BURNER BECAUSE THEY ARE THINGS  
22   WE DO NOT NOTICE EVERY DAY. LAKE MEAD IS A MAIN WATER SOURCE  
23   TO THE COLORADO RIVER, THAT WE KNOW IS A PRIMARY WATER SOURCE  
24   FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. BUT THE MOST RECENT DATA PLACES THE  
25   LIFE AT LAKE MEAD AT ONLY 13 MORE YEARS. AND THAT 13-YEAR



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1 FIGURE WOULD BE WITH CONTINUED CURRENT USAGE, CONDITIONS, WITH  
2 APPROXIMATELY THE SAME LEVEL OF RAIN, SAME CONTINUED LEVEL OF  
3 POPULATION. THE CURRENT WATER SUPPLY FROM LAKE MEAD AND  
4 COLORADO RIVER IS THEREFORE NOT ADEQUATE FOR THE CONTINUED  
5 DENSITY OF DEVELOPMENT THAT IS STILL TAKING PLACE IN SOUTHERN  
6 CALIFORNIA. THE CONTINUED LEVEL OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN L.A.  
7 COUNTY IN ITS DESERT REGIONS AND SENSITIVE HABITAT IS  
8 SERIOUSLY JEOPARDIZING THE QUALITY AND SUSTAINABILITY OF  
9 EVERYONE'S LIFE CURRENTLY LIVING IN L.A. COUNTY. PLEASE VOTE  
10 AGAINST THIS DEVELOPMENT TODAY OR AT LEAST PUT IT ON HOLD  
11 WHILE SERIOUS WATER INVESTIGATIONS CAN BE MADE INTO THE IMPACT  
12 UPON CURRENT POPULATIONS. I BELIEVE WE OWE THIS TO CURRENT  
13 POPULATIONS TO GAUGE IN A SLOWER, MORE CONSCIOUS, SUSTAINABLE  
14 DEVELOPMENT USING DATA THAT IS CURRENT AND INCLUDES NOT ONLY  
15 REGIONAL E.I.R. INFORMATION, BUT NECESSARY PHYSICAL AND  
16 BIOLOGICAL DATA FROM ADJACENT REGIONS AND STATES. VOTE AGAINST  
17 THE SPRING CANYON DEVELOPMENT. IT IS NOT THE RIGHT TIME OR  
18 PLACE FOR THIS TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. CARMILLIS NOLTEMEYER, LYNNE  
21 PLAMBECK, TERESA SAVAIKIE, AND DAN COOPER. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME  
22 FOR THE RECORD, WOULD YOU, PLEASE.

23  
24 **CARMILLIS NOLTEMEYER:** CARMILLIS NOLTEMEYER. WITH REGARD TO  
25 THIS APPEAL, I NOTICED ON YOUR AGENDA ITEM 17, IT FAILS TO



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1 MENTION THE LOCATION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 10-ACRE SCHOOL SITE  
2 FROM OFF-SITE TO WITHIN THE TRACT. THIS WAS THE MAIN ITEM ON  
3 THE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENDA ITEM 12 OF JANUARY 9TH, 2008.  
4 THIS IS NOT A MINOR CHANGE. WE HAVE SUPPORTED PUTTING THE  
5 SCHOOL ON SITE, BUT MOVING THIS FROM AN OFF-SITE LOCATION TO  
6 ON SITE IS NOT A MINOR CHANGE. AND THAT IS WHY WE ARE BRINGING  
7 THIS FORTH. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT NUMEROUS OTHER ITEMS WITH  
8 REGARD TO THIS AS WE PRESENTED IN A COMMENT LETTER WITH REGARD  
9 TO AIR QUALITY, THE WATER SUPPLY, AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS TO  
10 THE SANTA CLARA RIVER. THE INTERESTING PART OF THE MOVE OF THE  
11 SCHOOL SITE ONTO THE SITE FROM OFF-SITE, IT SEEMS THAT THEY'RE  
12 JUST KIND OF PLAYING PING PONG WITH THIS SCHOOL SITE. BUT I DO  
13 HAVE FOR YOU THE ACTUAL SULFUR SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT ITEM  
14 THAT IS THE MITIGATION AGREEMENT. AND YOU WILL SEE, I DO HAVE  
15 COPIES FOR EACH ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. COULD I PRESENT  
16 THESE? 2002 THIS MITIGATION AGREEMENT WAS MADE. IT ALWAYS WAS  
17 FOR AN ALL ON-SITE SCHOOL SITE. THIS WAS NOT A RECENT CHANGE.  
18 YOU WILL SEE THAT IT'S ON THE SECOND PAGE. YOU WILL FIND WHERE  
19 IT SAYS QUITE CLEARLY THAT NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WILL BE BUILT  
20 ON A DESIGNATED 9.4 NET USABLE ACRE SITE WITHIN SPRING CANYON.  
21 IT WAS VERY CLEAR IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT WAY. THE INTERESTING  
22 MANEUVER HERE IS THAT BY MOVING THE SCHOOL SITE ON-SITE, IT  
23 REDUCED THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS FROM 542 TO 499.  
24 AGAIN, JUST BELOW THE 500 THRESHOLD FOR WATER AND AIR QUALITY  
25 CONCERNS. SO WE FEEL THAT THIS HAS NOT BEEN PROPERLY ADDRESSED



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1 AS FOR THE ADDITIONAL, I BELIEVE IT'S OVER A MILLION ACRE FEET  
2 OF GRADING THAT HAS BEEN INCREASED. SO THESE ARE NOT MINOR  
3 CHANGES. THESE ARE MAJOR AND REALLY NEED TO BE ADDRESSED,  
4 ESPECIALLY SINCE THE SCHOOL SITE IS NOW GOING TO BE ON SITE  
5 AND THE COMMUNITY AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS TO BE ABLE TO  
6 EVALUATE IF THE SITE IS GOING TO BE APPROPRIATE. BECAUSE WE  
7 DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANOTHER SCHOOL SITE JUST BECAUSE OF  
8 MANEUVERING. AND I DON'T KNOW WHY IT WAS EVER CONSIDERED OFF-  
9 SITE. THERE WAS NOTHING THAT I COULD GLEAN FROM THE SULFUR  
10 SPRINGS SCHOOL BOARD THAT INDICATED THEY AGREED TO THAT, THANK  
11 YOU.

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13 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** LYNNE PLAMBECK, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR  
14 PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT. THIS PROJECT WAS ORIGINALLY  
15 APPROVED IN 2001 OR 2002, I DIDN'T LOOK UP THE ORIGINAL  
16 E.I.R., BUT IT WAS NOT AS RECENTLY -- I MEAN, IT WAS  
17 REAPPROVED WITH SOME OTHER CHANGES IN 2004. IT CAME INTO  
18 EXISTENCE QUITE A LONG TIME AGO. SO THAT'S WHY WE FELT LIKE IT  
19 WAS REALLY APPROPRIATE TO LOOK AT SOME OF THESE OTHER ISSUES,  
20 LIKE AIR QUALITY, PARTICULARLY WITH THE ISSUES OF CLIMATE  
21 CHANGE COMING BEFORE ALL THE PLANNING AGENCIES. I WOULD JUST  
22 LIKE TO PASS OUT AGAIN THE INFORMATION ON WATER SUPPLY THAT I  
23 PASSED OUT FOR THE OTHER ONE. THE FIRST INFORMATION IS THE  
24 CHLORIDE TIMETABLE. AND YOU WILL SEE THAT THEY CONSISTENTLY  
25 HAVE SAID THAT THE PROJECT WILL BE ONLINE AND FUNCTIONING





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1 EVERY YEAR. AND IT'S NOT THAT THEY'RE DOING ANY -- THAT  
2 THEY'RE TRYING TO DELAY IT, IT'S JUST THAT AS WE SAID IN 2004,  
3 DELAYS HAPPEN. IT TAKES TIME FOR LAND ACQUISITION, IT TAKES  
4 TIME FOR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT. IT TAKES TIME TO GO THROUGH THE  
5 REVIEW PROCESS. THE SIERRA CLUB HAS BEEN PRETTY ADAMANT ABOUT  
6 THEY WANT TO SEE THAT FUNCTIONING TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS A  
7 CLEAN WATER SUPPLY OUT THERE BEFORE NEW PROJECTS ARE PROPOSED.  
8 AND THEY DID PUT IN A COMMENT LETTER SIMILAR TO THAT AT THE  
9 PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING ON THIS. BUT IT'S JUST THAT IT  
10 GETS DELAYED EVERY TIME. IT LOOKS GOOD THAT IT'S GOING TO BE  
11 ONLINE AT THE END OF 2008, BUT THEY WERE SAYING IT'S GOING TO  
12 BE ONLINE EVERY YEAR SINCE 2004. ALSO, AGAIN, JUST THE SAME  
13 WATER INFORMATION I PASSED OUT FOR THE OTHER APPLICATION. AND  
14 YOU COULD SEE THE DIFFERENT FIGURES FOR DIFFERENT ISSUES. AND,  
15 AGAIN, IT'S -- YOU CAN MAKE THE WATER SUPPLY LOOK HOW YOU  
16 WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT. IF YOU WERE THINKING CONSERVATIVELY AND  
17 MAKING SURE THERE'S GOING TO BE ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR  
18 EXISTING RESIDENTS, YOU WOULD NOT BE APPROVING ALL THESE NEW  
19 DEVELOPMENTS RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE A BIG ISSUE WITH THE DELTA. WE  
20 HAVE A BIG ISSUE WITH WATER SUPPLY COMING DOWN HERE. THAT'S  
21 WHY WE HAVE ASKED THAT THERE BE AN UPDATED AMENDMENT TO THE  
22 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN BEFORE ADDITIONAL UNITS ARE  
23 APPROVED. AND THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT IS GOING TO DO  
24 SUCH AN UPDATED AMENDMENT BECAUSE OF THE WANGER DECISION. IT'S  
25 UNCONSCIONABLE THAT OUR AREA IS NOT DOING THE SAME THING. AND



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1 AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PUBLIC WORKS  
2 AND BRING UP SOME OF THESE ISSUES ON A ONE-TO-ONE BASIS. IT'S  
3 NOT POSSIBLE TO DO IT IN THREE MINUTES BEFORE THE BOARD.  
4 THEY'RE VERY COMPLICATED ISSUES. BUT WE HAVE GOOD QUESTIONS TO  
5 ASK. AND I THINK THAT IT BEHOOVES THE COUNTY WHEN YOU'RE  
6 TRYING TO MAKE YOUR BEST JUDGMENTS ABOUT WHAT TO DO WITH  
7 PEOPLE'S LIVES IN THE FUTURE THAT YOU REALLY LOOK CRITICALLY  
8 AT ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT ARE BEING RAISED. SO HERE'S THE  
9 OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT I'D LIKE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD. AND I  
10 WISH THAT THE COUNTY WOULD AT LEAST CONSIDER SOME ADDITIONAL  
11 AIR MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS OR WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS.  
12 AGAIN, IF YOU AT LEAST REQUIRED A DROUGHT TOLERANT  
13 LANDSCAPING, OR NO LAWNS, THAT WOULD AT LEAST MITIGATE PART OF  
14 THE PROBLEM, THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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18 **TERESA SAVAIKIE:** MY NAME IS TERESA--

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE SECOND. ARNOLD SACHS. MR. COOPER AND  
21 ARNOLD, THAT'S ALL.

22

23 **TERESA SAVAIKIE:** THANK YOU SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TERESA  
24 SAVAIKIE. I LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA. I FEEL LIKE A BROKEN RECORD  
25 HERE TO DAY, SO PLEASE FORGIVE ME. BUT JUST THE VERY FACT THAT



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1 I'M TESTIFYING FOR THE THIRD TIME BEFORE YOU ON PROJECTS ALONG  
2 THE SANTA CLARA RIVER SORT OF STATES IT ALL IN A NUTSHELL. I  
3 THINK THE DEVELOPERS PROBABLY DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THIS  
4 ONE. IT'S GOING TO BE PASSED I HAVEN'T SEEN ONE THAT HASN'T.  
5 BUT I DO NEED TO GET ON THE RECORD. AGAIN THIS PROJECT SITS IN  
6 THE NATURAL SANTA CLARA RIVER, THE LAST MAJOR LIVING  
7 WATERSHED, HOME TO THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES. ONCE,  
8 THAT ALL OCCURRED IN THE L.A. RIVER. AND WHAT A SHAME IT IS  
9 THAT WE DON'T SEEM TO HAVE POLITICIANS WHO CARE ENOUGH TO  
10 STAND UP FOR THIS LAST WONDERFUL NATURAL RESOURCE. ALL OF  
11 THESE SPECIES OCCURRED IN THE L.A. RIVER, THE SANTA ANA RIVER.  
12 THEY'RE GONE. THEY'RE GONE FOREVER. YOU CAN TAKE OUT AS MUCH  
13 CONCRETE AS YOU WANT, BUT NEVER AGAIN WILL THEY BE THERE.  
14 REGARDING AIR QUALITY AND TRAFFIC, IT ALSO MUST BE SAID THAT  
15 THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA WROTE A LETTER REGARDING THE NEWHALL  
16 RANCH PROJECT SITE WHERE THEY STATED THAT NEWHALL'S CURRENT  
17 PROJECTIONS WERE WOEFULLY INADEQUATE, WHERE NEWHALL HAD  
18 PREDICTED SOME AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT COMMUTED TO SAN FERNANDO  
19 VALLEY AND LOS ANGELES. AND INDEED, THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
20 HAD TO CALL THEM ON THE CARPET AND SAY THOSE PROJECTS WERE NOT  
21 ADEQUATE BASED ON INFORMATION FROM S.C.A.G. THAT CURRENTLY 53  
22 PERCENT OF THIS POPULATION HAS TO LEAVE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY  
23 FOR EMPLOYMENT TO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, TO VENTURA COUNTY  
24 AND TO LOS ANGELES. AND THAT NUMBER'S ONLY EXPECTED TO GET  
25 WORSE, NOT BETTER. THE SORT OF JOBS THAT ARE BEING BUILT IN



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1 SANTA CLARITA REALLY ARE SERVICE INDUSTRY JOBS, THEY ARE NOT  
2 JOBS THAT PAY PEOPLE ENOUGH MONEY TO SUPPORT THEIR MORTGAGES.  
3 THE SANTA CLARA RIVER IS NOT A WASH. GOSH, I REALLY WISH YOU  
4 GUYS WOULD TAKE THE TIME TO TOUR IT, WALK IT, GET IN IT,  
5 INSTEAD OF BELITTILING US AND MAKING US FEEL AS THOUGH WE'RE  
6 BRINGING ALL THIS INFORMATION TO YOU. AND THEN MR. ANTONOVICH  
7 WILL ASK THE QUESTIONS OVER AND OVER AGAIN, SORT OF  
8 REITERATING, PUTTING IT IN PLACE HOW YOU WANT THE ANSWERS TO  
9 BE TOLD. AND IT'S VERY FRUSTRATING. IT'S LIKE, WHY EVEN BOTHER  
10 TO COME? I ASK MYSELF WHY BOTHER TO COME? BECAUSE IT'S THE  
11 RIGHT THING TO DO. SPEAK YOUR MIND. HAVE A PART OF THE PROCESS  
12 AND HOPE THAT SOME DAY, NO MATTER HOW LITTLE, YOU MAKE SOME  
13 SORT OF CHANGE IN THE WAY WE LOOK AT THINGS. WE REALLY DON'T  
14 NEED TO KEEP SPRAWLING OUT. IT IS NOT GOOD FOR ANY PART, IT'S  
15 NOT GOOD FOR YOUR DISTRICT OR ANYBODY'S DISTRICT IN HERE.  
16 SERIOUSLY, IT'S NOT. WHERE ARE THESE PEOPLE WORKING? DO YOU  
17 GET ON THE 5 AND THE 14 FREEWAY? REGARDING OVERRIDING  
18 CONSIDERATIONS, AT WHAT POINT DOES MY CHILD BECOME A  
19 CONSIDERATION OF THE CONTINUED INCREASE IN OZONE POLLUTION AND  
20 CLIMATE CHANGE? EXACTLY WHEN DOES MY CHILD AND THE OTHER  
21 PERSON'S CHILD AND A HANDICAPPED CHILD WHO BREATHE IN  
22 POLLUTED AIR THAT'S ONLY GETTING WORSE THAT'S WARMING OUR  
23 CLIMATE, EXACTLY WHEN DO THOSE THINGS COME INTO YOUR  
24 CONSIDERATION? NOW, AGAIN, I HAVEN'T SEEN A PROJECT THAT'S  
25 BEEN OPPOSED HERE. WE'VE GOT A MINING PROJECT. 40,000 HOMES



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1 PROPOSED AND NOT BUILT. I DON'T KNOW WHEN ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.  
2 IT'S JUST TOO BAD THAT MY CHILDREN AREN'T BEING CONSIDERED IN  
3 THIS. AND IT'S TOO BAD THAT THERE'S OBVIOUSLY A LACK OF  
4 APPRECIATION FOR WHAT'S LEFT OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. MR. COOPER?

7

8 **DAN COOPER:** THANK YOU, HONORABLE BOARD. JUST A FEW COMMENTS  
9 ABOUT SPRING CANYON. WHEN I WAS REVIEWING THE SPRING CANYON  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION, I WAS SURPRISED THAT THE COUNTY  
11 RELIED ON WHAT WAS CALLED THE 404 PERMIT BY THE ARMY CORPS OF  
12 ENGINEERS. YOU READ THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE 404  
13 PERMIT, THERE'S WHAT'S CALLED BOILERPLATE LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT  
14 IT. AND IT WAS ALSO FOUND IN THE PLUM CANYON 404 PERMIT. I  
15 SUSPECT IF YOU LOOK AT THE 404 PERMITS IN ANY OF THESE  
16 DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SANTA CLARA RIVER, YOU'D FIND THE SAME  
17 BOILERPLATE LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT THEM. AND I'LL JUST READ YOU  
18 JUST SOME EXAMPLES, SO YOU UNDERSTAND, ESPECIALLY YOU PLANNING  
19 FOLKS, UNDERSTAND HOW THIS ACTUALLY WORKS. ON PAGE 28 OF THE  
20 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, DUE TO PAST SMALL-SCALE AGRICULTURAL  
21 AND RANCHING ACTIVITIES AND UPLAND CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES  
22 THERE HAS BEEN A CUMULATIVE LOSS OF PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL  
23 FUNCTIONS IN BOTH AQUATIC AND ADJACENT UPLAND AREAS. PAGE 28  
24 THEY GO ON TO SAY, FLOW VELOCITY, WATER QUALITY, EROSION, AND  
25 ACCRETION PATTERNS IN THE PROJECT VICINITY HAVE BEEN



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1 PERMANENTLY AFFECTED BY SOIL COMPACTION AND VEGETATION LOSS  
2 ASSOCIATED WITH ONGOING GRAZING AND FARMING IN THE WATERSHED  
3 AS WELL AS URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE LAST 20 YEARS. PAGE 31  
4 AGAIN, REPEATING THE SAME TERMS, PAST SMALL-SCALE RANCHING AND  
5 AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS RECENT GRADING IN UPLAND  
6 AREAS, HAVE DISTURBED THE PROJECT AREA AND WITH THE ABOVE  
7 ACTIVITIES, FLOW VELOCITY, WATER QUALITY, EROSION -- IT'S THE  
8 SAME WORDS, AND ACCRETION PATTERNS OF THE PROJECT AREA HAVE  
9 BEEN PERMANENTLY AFFECTED, AND AGAIN THE SAME TERMS, BY SOIL  
10 COMPACTION AND VEGETATION LOSS ASSOCIATED WITH GRAZING AND  
11 FARMING ACTIVITIES IN THE WATERSHED. WHAT'S UNBELIEVABLE IS IF  
12 YOU'VE EVER BEEN OUT TO SPRING CANYON, THERE'S NO FARMING  
13 THAT'S EVER BEEN DONE THERE. AND THE GRAZING HAS BEEN VERY  
14 LIGHT. AND OF COURSE, IT'S NOT THE GRAZING THAT HAS BEEN  
15 DEGRADING THE NATURAL RESOURCES THERE. IT'S THE ENCROACHMENT  
16 OF THE DEVELOPMENT ON EITHER SIDE AND THE CUTTING OFF OF  
17 WILDLIFE CORRIDORS. LOOKING THROUGH MORE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
18 DOCUMENTATION, YOU FIND A COUPLE SPECIES THAT I'VE NEVER EVEN  
19 SEEN ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR COASTAL L.A.  
20 COUNTY, SO I KNOW THEY'RE RARE. THEY FOUND EVIDENCE OF  
21 AMERICAN BADGER ON THIS SITE. AND BADGER IS ONE OF THESE  
22 SPECIES WE ASSOCIATED WITH THE WILDERNESS. BUT THERE IT IS,  
23 THE BADGER DIGGINGS ON THE SITE. THEY ALSO FOUND A POPULATION  
24 OF SLENDER MARIPOSA LILY, THIS IS THE FLOWER THAT DOESN'T LIVE  
25 ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD EXCEPT THE NORTHERN SAN GABRIEL





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1 MOUNTAINS. AND THEY EVEN FOUND SOME ON THE SITE WHEN THEY DID  
2 A SURVEY AFTER A MAJOR FIRE IN 1995. REMOVED MOST OF THE  
3 VEGETATIVE COVER, THAT'S A QUOTE, DIRECTLY FROM THE  
4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT. AND THE PREPARER EVEN CONCLUDED  
5 THAT IT MAY NOT REPRESENT THE NATURAL CONDITION. YET THEY  
6 FOUND EVIDENCE OF BADGER AND THIS RARE LILY WHICH WAS WIPE  
7 OUT BY FREQUENT FIRE. SO YOU KNOW IT'S STILL THERE. AND  
8 FINALLY, I MENTIONED BEFORE WITH THE TICK AREA CANYON. WE WERE  
9 TALKING ABOUT WILDLIFE UNDERPASSES. YOU KNOW, WHAT THEY  
10 PROPOSE IS A HIGHWAY UNDERPASS THAT IS SUGGESTED AS THE  
11 PRINCIPAL MITIGATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, WHICH IS JUST SIMPLY  
12 UNREALISTIC. IT'S NOT BASED ON ANY SCIENTIFIC DATA FROM THE  
13 AREA. AND THERE'S REALLY NO MANAGEMENT BODY THAT'S BEEN  
14 IDENTIFIED TO MAINTAIN AND MONITOR THE UNDERPASS AND TO MAKE  
15 SURE IT DOESN'T FILL UP WITH TRANSIENTS AND GARBAGE AND  
16 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT MIGHT DISSUADE AN ANIMAL FROM USING IT.  
17 AND FINALLY, WITH THESE UNDERPASSES, THE ONLY THING THAT  
18 REALLY USES THESE ARE LARGE MAMMALS, LIKE COYOTE AND DEER. SO  
19 IT'S GOOD FOR THOSE SPECIES, IF IT EVEN WORKS, BUT IT'S NOT  
20 REALLY THAT BENEFICIAL FOR THE COUNTLESS OTHER SPECIES THAT  
21 ARE THERE. SO I'LL CONCLUDE MY COMMENTS HERE.

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.



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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS  
2   JUST TO GET ON THE RECORD THAT YOU SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR  
3   THE DECISIONS THAT YOU MAKE AND HOPEFULLY THAT YOU'LL MAKE  
4   AGAIN TO PASS THIS DEVELOPMENT PLAN, BEST USE PROCESSES ARE  
5   INVOLVED WITH ALL THAT ARE INVOLVED IN THE DECISION. THANK  
6   YOU.

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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10   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MR. SACHS, DON'T GO VERY FAR BECAUSE WE ARE  
11   GOING TO CALL UP THESE OTHER ITEMS VERY SOON.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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15   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

16

17   **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I JUST ASK -- I MEAN I REALIZE THAT ALL THESE  
18   MAP AMENDMENTS WERE REQUIRED BY THE REGULATORY AGENCIES AND  
19   NOT CAUSED BY THE DEVELOPER BUT WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT WE  
20   RECEIVED SOME LETTERS ON THAT THE WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS AS  
21   SET FORTH IN S.B.221 MAY HAVE TO BE CUT BACK BY 33 PERCENT DUE  
22   TO SOME LITIGATION? CAN SOMEBODY ANSWER THAT PARTICULAR  
23   QUESTION FOR ME?

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1 **RAMON CORDOVA:** I'LL TRY, SUPERVISOR KNABE. AS I INDICATED IN  
2 ONE OF THE OTHER PUBLIC HEARINGS, EARLIER IN MID 2007 AFTER  
3 THE FEDERAL COURT DECISION INVOLVING THE SACRAMENTO DELTA AND  
4 THE DELTA SMELT BECAME KNOWN, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
5 PLANNING CONTACTED THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY WITH RESPECT  
6 TO THE PROJECTS THAT WERE PENDING WITHIN ITS SERVICE AREA,  
7 INCLUDING THIS ONE AND ASKED FOR C.L.W.A.'S REACTION TO THAT  
8 NEWS AND HOW IT MIGHT IMPACT THEIR ABILITY AND THEIR RETAIL  
9 PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE WATER TO THESE PROJECTS. ON JANUARY 28TH  
10 OF THIS YEAR, C.L.W.A. WROTE A LETTER TO THE PLANNING  
11 DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS PART OF THE RECORD, INDICATING THAT THEY  
12 HAVE REVIEWED WATER SUPPLIES, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THE  
13 INJUNCTION THAT'S BEEN ISSUED BY THE FEDERAL COURT, IN LIGHT  
14 OF MOST RECENT INFORMATION, INCLUDING A DRAFT WATER  
15 RELIABILITY REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AT  
16 THE STATE LEVEL, C.L.W.A. HAS INDICATED THAT THEY BELIEVE THEY  
17 AND THEIR RETAIL PROVIDERS CAN PROVIDE WATER TO THE KNOWN  
18 PROJECTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE, AND THAT IT CONTINUES TO BE  
19 FEASIBLE FOR THEM TO DO SO.

20  
21 **SUP. KNABE:** EVEN IF THE LITIGATION WERE SUCCESSFUL THEN,  
22 RIGHT?

23  
24 **RAMON CORDOVA:** WELL AN UPDATED WATER SUPPLY ANALYSIS WAS DONE  
25 BY C.L.W.A., INDICATING THAT IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT ANY



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1 PERMANENT RELIEF WILL BE SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THE INTERIM  
2 MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPOSED. AND GIVEN THOSE  
3 CONTINGENCIES, C.L.W.A. BELIEVES IT CAN CONTINUE TO PROVIDE  
4 WATER TO THE PROJECTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST TO PIGGYBACK ON THAT, THIS IS IN THE  
9 JURISDICTION OF THE CASTAIC WATER AGENCY AGAIN?

10

11 **RAMON CORDOVA:** CASTAIC LAKE WATER, YES.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY. HAVE THEY DONE A  
14 REVISED PLAN TO ANALYZE WHETHER THERE WOULD BE SUFFICIENT  
15 WATER TO MEET THE DEMAND?

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17 **RAMON CORDOVA:** WHAT THEY HAVE DONE IS THEY HAVE INDICATED THAT  
18 THEY ARE RE-ANALYZING FORECASTS AND SO FORTH WITH RESPECT TO  
19 WATER SUPPLY. SPECIFICALLY, THEY HAVE REVIEWED A DRAFT REPORT  
20 FROM THE STATE WHICH CONTROLS THE STATE WATER PROJECT AND  
21 ANALYZED THAT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR ABILITY TO SERVE WATER  
22 STILL REMAINS VIABLE.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE THEY ADOPTED A REVISED URBAN WATER  
25 MANAGEMENT PLAN?



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2 **RAMON CORDOVA:** NO, I BELIEVE THE MOST RECENT URBAN WATER  
3 MANAGEMENT PLAN FROM C.L.W.A. IS 2005, AS MR. MASNADA SAID,  
4 THAT IS THEY SAID IT IS ANTICIPATED THEY HAVE TO BE DONE EVERY  
5 FIVE YEARS. SO THE NEXT ONE WOULD BE 2010.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE PLAN THEY'RE RELYING ON NOW IS A  
8 COUPLE OF YEARS, ALMOST THREE YEARS OLD, AND THERE HAVE BEEN  
9 INTERVENING FACTORS THAT HAVE COME IN SINCE THE LAST PLAN WAS  
10 --

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12 **RAMON CORDOVA:** THAT'S TRUE. BUT AS INDICATED, C.L.W.A. HAS  
13 ATTEMPTED TO SYNTHESIZE THAT NEW INFORMATION. AND THEIR MOST  
14 RECENT LETTER TO THE COUNTY IS SPECIFICALLY IN LIGHT OF THE  
15 INFORMATION REGARDING THE DELTA SMELT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE MOTION BEFORE US IN THE APPEAL, I  
18 WOULD LIKE TO SAY WHEN THIS WAS FIRST APPROVED BACK IN 2004,  
19 THERE WAS A GREATER NUMBER OF HOMES THAN IS BEING ASKED TODAY  
20 EVEN THOUGH IT WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. BUT THE REASON THAT -  
21 - IN FACT, IT'S 43 HOMES LESS. IT WAS 542 THAT WAS APPROVED IN  
22 2004. TODAY IT'S 499. BUT THE CHANGES WERE A RESULT OF THE  
23 SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUESTING A RELOCATION OF THE ELEMENTARY  
24 SCHOOL. AND THE DEPARTMENT, REGIONAL PLANNING WAS INVOLVED, I  
25 WOULD ASSUME, THE PUBLIC WORKS, HERE IT IS, THE ENGINEERING



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1 FACILITIES WERE REDESIGNED AT THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY'S  
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE WATER TANK SERVING THE PROJECT  
3 WAS RELOCATED AT THE REQUEST OF THE LOCAL WATER AGENCY. AND  
4 CHANGES EITHER WERE TO IMPROVE THE PROJECT OR ACCOMMODATE THE  
5 NEEDS OF PLANNING EFFORTS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES.  
6 THE AMENDMENT MAP WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL  
7 PLANNING COMMISSION AND BOTH THE HEARING OFFICER AND THE  
8 COMMISSION CONDUCTED PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND RENDERED THEIR  
9 DECISION AFTER TAKING PUBLIC TESTIMONY. WITH RESPECT TO THE  
10 WATER AS WAS STATED, THE NEWHALL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT HAS  
11 ALREADY APPROVED THE WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROJECT.  
12 AND IN THE TESTIMONY TODAY IT INDICATED FROM THE WATER  
13 AGENCIES THAT WATER WAS AVAILABLE. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD  
14 DENY THE APPEAL AND APPROVE THE AMENDED MAP SUBJECT TO THE  
15 CONDITIONS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND?

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON  
20 THIS MATTER?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M GOING TO VOTE NO. AND I WANT THE RECORD  
23 TO REFLECT THAT THE VOTE LAST TIME WAS NOT UNANIMOUS. I WASN'T  
24 HERE. SO I BELIEVE IT WAS -- IT MAY HAVE BEEN UNANIMOUS AMONG





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1 THOSE WHO WERE HERE. BUT I WASN'T, I WANT TO BE RECORDED AS A  
2 NO VOTE.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S 3 TO 2.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE  
9 DISCUSSION ITEMS. WE'VE COMPLETED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND  
10 DISCUSSION ITEMS. WE'RE BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I DID NOT DO MY ADJOURNMENTS. DID YOU DO  
13 YOUR ADJOURNMENTS? OKAY. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
14 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LESTER SIMON, THE FATHER-IN-LAW OF  
15 REVEREND CHERYL LYNN SIMON, HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION SECRETARY  
16 FOR THE CITY OF CARSON. HE PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY  
17 15TH. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, DOROTHY SIMON;  
18 DAUGHTER, SABRINA SIMON; GRANDDAUGHTER, LADONNA SIMON; AND  
19 REVEREND CHERYL LYNN. AND ELAINE ANDERSON-EALY, WHO WORKED FOR  
20 THE M.T.A. FOR 40 YEARS AND ITS PREDECESSORS. SHE WAS VERY  
21 ACTIVE IN COMPTON WITH YOUTH AND WAS ALSO VERY ACTIVE WITH HER  
22 CHURCH, CHRIST HOLINESS CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES. SHE HAS THREE  
23 SONS AND FOUR SISTERS. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?  
24 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS.  
2    FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DON WALLACE, JR.,  
3    WHO PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 18TH. HE WAS A LAWYER AND A  
4    COMMUNITY ACTIVIST IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND VERY DEVOTED  
5    TO NOT ONLY THE CITY BUT TO HIS FAMILY. HE WAS THE FOUNDER AND  
6    CO-CHAIR OF THE AD-HOC POLY HIGH SCHOOL INTERRACIAL COMMITTEE.  
7    HE ALSO WAS CHAIR OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
8    HEADQUARTERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF LONG BEACH MEMORIAL AND  
9    CHILDREN'S DENTAL CLINIC AND FOUNDATION, AND ALSO AWARDED VERY  
10   HIGH HONOR BY THE LONG BEACH AREA BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA. HE'S  
11   SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 60 YEARS, ELIZABETH, A FORMER MEMBER  
12   OF THE LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. HIS TWO SONS, ALEX  
13   AND DON III AND HIS DAUGHTER, NANCY, AND NUMEROUS  
14   GRANDCHILDREN. THE SAD NOTE WITH THIS IS, I DID HIS DAUGHTER'S  
15   ADJOURNMENT LAST WEEK. HE PASSED AWAY WITHIN 7 DAYS OF HIS  
16   DAUGHTER. AND I WAS TELLING JUST A BRIEF STORY HERE TO THE  
17   GIRLS THAT WE HONORED TODAY FROM TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL. DON'S  
18   DAUGHTER, ANN, WAS AN INCREDIBLE GOLFER. AND SHE ASKED TO BE  
19   ABLE TO PARTICIPATE ON THE BOYS' GOLF TEAM AT POLY HIGH SCHOOL  
20   YEARS AGO AND WAS NOT ALLOWED. AND HER FATHER, DON, PURSUED  
21   IT, AND EVENTUALLY LED THE WAY FOR TITLE 9 FOR EQUAL ACCESS  
22   FOR WOMEN IN ATHLETICS, BOTH HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE. SO THE  
23   WALLACE FAMILY'S HAD A VERY DIFFICULT TIME THESE LAST MONTHS.  
24   AND OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO THEM AND OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THEM,  
25   THE SURVIVING MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DOUG



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1 HILL, A LONG-TIME FAMILY FRIEND. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE  
2 EVELYN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES NICKLUS KINZER, THE  
3 FATHER OF MY FORMER MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONER, REVEREND GARY  
4 KINZER, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE WAS BORN IN VAN NUYS,  
5 WORKED FOR 40 PLUS YEARS AT DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT. HE WILL BE  
6 REMEMBERED AS A KIND, SELF-DISCIPLINED, ENDLESSLY CHEERFUL  
7 PERSON DEVOTED TO HIS CHURCH, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS. HE WILL BE  
8 MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS LOVING  
9 FAMILY, DR. ROBERT HUTCHINS, GAY AND PETER REILLY, PATRICIA  
10 MALLON, AND THE REVEREND GARY KINZER. AND THEN ALSO WE ADJOURN  
11 IN MEMORY OF EVELYN K. MORRIS, A LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF DOWNEY  
12 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 31. SHE WAS A DOWNEY  
13 HIGH SCHOOL GRAD. SHE WENT TO CERRITOS COLLEGE AND CAL STATE  
14 LONG BEACH. SHE BEGAN HER TEACHING CAREER IN 2002 AT A SUSSMAN  
15 MIDDLE SCHOOL. SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS  
16 CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS AND ATTENDED THE DOWNEY FOURTH  
17 WARD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS, DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL  
18 BOARD MEMBER, DR. MARK MORRIS, PAMELA MORRIS; THREE SISTERS,  
19 ALLISON, KATHRYN, AND SHARON; AND TWO BROTHERS, BRIAN AND  
20 WAYNE. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
25 THE FOLLOWING: ROBERT SAMUELSON, WHO PASSED ON FEBRUARY 17TH.



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1 HE WAS AN ACTIVE COMMUNITY LEADER IN LA CANADA, FAITHFUL  
2 MEMBER OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE FOOTHILLS. A REGENT OF  
3 CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY, AND HE JUST RECENTLY -- THEY FUNDED AND  
4 BUILT THE SAMUELSON AQUATIC CENTER, A STATE-OF-THE-ART WATER  
5 SPORTS FACILITY. HE ALSO IS INVOLVED GREATLY WITH THE YMCA AND  
6 CHAIRMAN OF THE CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY'S FUNDING AND BUILDING  
7 PROGRAMS. HE AND HIS BROTHERS CO-FOUNDED SAMUELSON BROTHERS  
8 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OVER 62 YEARS AGO. GLORIA LORRAINE KRAMER  
9 PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 13TH. SHE WAS THE MOTHER OF FIVE. ONE  
10 OF HER SONS THAT WAS ONE OF MY STUDENTS WHEN I TAUGHT, JACK,  
11 WHEN I TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL. AND SHE SERVED AS THE  
12 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER FOR HER CHURCH. CHAIR MEMBER OF THE  
13 P.T.A., BOY SCOUTS AND FOUNDED JACQUES INTERIORS, DEVOTED TO  
14 DESIGNING, DECORATING, AND COLLECTING FINE ARTWORK. VIDE  
15 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS SERRANOS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB. SHE  
16 LEAVES HER HUSBAND, JACK, JACK KRAMER, THE GREAT TENNIS  
17 PLAYER, WHOSE AUNT WAS OUR MUSIC TEACHER AT RUSSELL ELEMENTARY  
18 SCHOOL IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES WHEN I WAS A LITTLE BOY.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FRIEND OF ALL OF OURS. MARVIN BYRON PASSED  
23 AWAY. 82 YEARS OF AGE. AND HE LEAVES HIS DAUGHTERS, STEPHANIE,  
24 CAROL, CINDY; AND SON, STEVE; AND HIS GRANDCHILDREN, JESSIE  
25 AND RYAN. MARGUERITE "MARGIE" LAWSON PASSED AWAY. SHE HAD



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1 OPERATED THE LANCASTER BOULEVARD SPECIALTY KITCHENWARE AND  
2 GIFT STORE FROM '78 TO 1999 IN ANTELOPE VALLEY AND SERVED AS A  
3 TEACHER AT THE MUROC SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
4 ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF  
5 UNIVERSITY WOMEN, ALPHA CHARTER GUILD. HER HUSBAND, A GREAT  
6 NEWSPAPER MAN, AND CHILDREN QUITE LEADERS OF THE ANTELOPE  
7 VALLEY. JOHN DAMIANO PASSED AWAY. HE WAS A PAST PRESIDENT OF  
8 THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION, A MEMBER FOR OVER 48 YEARS.  
9 HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE PLUMBERS' LOCAL 761 IN BURBANK, AND  
10 WAS INVOLVED WITH LITTLE LEAGUE AT HIS CHILDREN'S PAROCHIAL  
11 SCHOOLS AND INVOLVED IN THE ITALIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY.  
12 MARGARET CHAMBERS. SHE WORKED FOR THE L.A. COUNTY MUSEUM OF  
13 ART AS A DOCENT COUNCIL FOR OVER 25 YEARS. IONE ORR BECKER,  
14 WHO WAS RETIRED FROM GLENDALE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. WHERE SHE WAS  
15 THE SUPERVISOR OF NURSING. AND SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE P.T.A.  
16 ASSISTANCE LEAGUE AND PHILANTHROPIC EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS  
17 AND GLENDALE BEAUTIFUL. DR. LUTHER "ABE" ABRAM, OF PASADENA.  
18 HE HAD SPECIALIZED IN ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY AT ORTHOPEDIC  
19 HOSPITAL, HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL, AND SAN GABRIEL MEDICAL CENTER,  
20 WHERE HE WAS APPOINTED CHIEF OF STAFF IN 1983. 1983. HECTOR  
21 ROYBAL, WHOM I SERVED WITH THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES, HE HAD  
22 BEEN A MEMBER SINCE 1988. AND HE WAS JUST 54 YEARS OF AGE. HE  
23 WAS IN CHARGE OF THE PRESS PHOTO TROPHY COMMITTEE. DENIS  
24 O'CONNOR, VERY FAMOUS, ONE OF THE INSTITUTIONS, BECAUSE HE WAS  
25 AN ARTIST, A MOSAIC MURALIST. AND ALL ON THE ALL ON THE HOME



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1 SAVINGS AND LOAN. HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THOSE BEAUTIFUL  
2 MURALS JUST SHOWING YOU THAT YOU COULD -- THE VALUE, THE  
3 BEAUTY OF ART. HE HAD PRODUCED OVER 80 MOSAICS. ELENA MIHICH,  
4 OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. DAVID "JERRY" EVERSULL, WHO WAS  
5 WITH THE LAND PROJECTS MUTUAL WATER COMPANY AND THE WEST SIDE  
6 UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHERE HE HAD BEEN EMPLOYED IN THE  
7 ANTELOPE VALLEY. DR. DARRELL HOLMAN. HE HAD SERVED AS CHIEF OF  
8 MEDICAL STAFF FOR BOTH SAN TERESITA HOSPITAL IN DUARTE AND  
9 METHODIST HOSPITAL IN ARCADIA. AND HE HAD BEEN ELECTED ELECTED  
10 ALSO PREVIOUSLY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CITRUS COLLEGE IN  
11 GLENDORA, LATER SERVING AS ITS BOARD PRESIDENT. HE AND A GROUP  
12 OF OTHER PHYSICIANS FOUNDED THE ARCADIA OUTPATIENT CENTER.  
13 FRED KELLY SR., HE WAS THE ORIGINAL OWNER OF RICO'S PIZZA IN  
14 BURBANK. A BUSINESSMAN, ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY AND HARRY  
15 BAY'S UNCLE. DEPUTY WALTER HOTRA, RETIRED DEPUTY LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY SHERIFF. SUE CLARK, WHO WORKED FOR THE PALMDALE SCHOOL  
17 DISTRICT FOR THE PAST 29 YEARS. ALAN KRONER, WHO WAS THE  
18 CHAIRMAN OF L.A. COUNTY COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, MUTUAL  
19 ASSISTANCE CONSORTIUM. HE WAS OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOLUNTEER  
20 OF THE YEAR IN 2001. HE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA  
21 ASSOCIATION OF HATE CRIMES INVESTIGATORS AND WAS INVOLVED IN  
22 MEDIATION BETWEEN POLICE AND DEMONSTRATORS DURING THE 2001  
23 NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT  
24 MOTIONS.

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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. HAS EVERYONE DONE THEIR  
2   ADJOURNMENTS? ALL RIGHT. WE STILL HAVE ITEM 10 AND 11. AND  
3   LET'S START WITH 10.

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5   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ALSO 5.

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7   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND 5? IT WAS HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE  
8   PUBLIC, YES. WHO IS HOLDING THAT?

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10   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ARNOLD SACHS AND E.T. SNELL.

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12   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE 10 AND 11 BUT  
13   THEY'VE ASKED TO SPEAK. START WITH 5 FIRST. WE'LL HAVE MR.  
14   SNELL AND MR. SACHS. BUT I THINK THAT DR. CLAVREUL IS ON 10?  
15   10 AND 11 OR 10?

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17   **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. VERY  
18   QUICKLY ON ITEM NUMBER 5, SINCE YOU'RE ALLOCATING MONEY FOR  
19   THE HOMELESS, CAN WE GET AN UPDATE ON YOUR FABULOUS 50 PLAN?  
20   WHAT'S THE STANDING RIGHT NOW OF PROJECT 50? HAVE YOU RE-  
21   IDENTIFIED THE 50 PEOPLE THAT YOU VOLUNTEERED FOR THE  
22   \$500,000? HAVE YOU FOUND THEM? WHAT'S THE STATUS ON HOUSING? I  
23   KNOW YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE OUT ANY INFORMATION ON THAT, BUT  
24   CAN YOU REQUEST THAT SOMEBODY FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT COME  
25   TO A COUNCIL MEETING AND GIVE THE PUBLIC AN UPDATE? THIS IS



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1 THE END OF FEBRUARY. THE \$500,000 IS EFFECTIVE UPON EXECUTION  
2 -- I'M READING FROM YOUR AGENDA ITEM OF JANUARY 8TH --  
3 EFFECTIVE UPON EXECUTION THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST, 2009. SO  
4 ALMOST TWO MONTHS HAVE PASSED. AND JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW WHAT  
5 THE STANDING IS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS AND THANK YOU FOR  
6 YOUR TIME.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SOMEONE WILL GIVE YOU THE ANSWER OVER  
9 THERE.

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11 **E.T. SNELL:** E.T. SNELL.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** STAY RIGHT THERE.

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15 **E.T. SNELL:** BEFORE WE START THAT, I HAD SOME PICTURES THAT I'D  
16 LIKE TO HAVE -- BEFORE WE START THAT TIME, CAN I HAVE SOME  
17 PICTURES THAT I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DISPLAYED? DON'T START THAT  
18 YET. IT'S HARD ON THIS FIRST AMENDMENT. I'D LIKE TO HAVE THEM  
19 PUT ON THE CAMERA BEFORE WE GET STARTED. WILL THEY LOOK AT IT?  
20 IT'S KIND OF HARD. WHERE IS THE CAMERA?

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, CAN I START THE TIME?

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES, PLEASE START THE TIME. HE'S HOLDING UP  
25 HIS PICTURES.



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2 **E.T. SNELL:** E.T. SNELL, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST. YOU NOW, I WENT TO  
3 SPEAK ON THAT FOSTER CARE ISSUE. AND YOU KNOW, I'VE SPENT 30  
4 YEARS UNDER JUDICIAL CONTROL. FOSTER CARE IS A VERY IMPORTANT  
5 ISSUE TO ME. AND I THINK WE'VE JUST BASICALLY HAVE A FLUSH AND  
6 FLOW WHEN IT COMES TO FIRST AMENDMENTS. I FOUND OUT I COULDN'T  
7 SPEAK ON THE ISSUE. ANYBODY OUT THERE WITH FIRST AMENDMENT.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU CAN SPEAK NOW ON IT.

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11 **E.T. SNELL:** OH, I CAN SPEAK NOW ON IT? AND THEN MY THREE  
12 MINUTES ON THIS DOESN'T COUNT? ANYWAY.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL GIVE YOU AN ADDITIONAL MINUTE.

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16 **E.T. SNELL:** IT TAKES A LOT OF DISCIPLINE TO MAINTAIN YOUR  
17 SANITY IN A MAD SITUATION. COUNTY SUPERVISORS, THE ISSUE THAT  
18 WE HAVE IN FRONT OF US, YOU CAN START MY TIME NOW, IS THE  
19 HOMELESS. THEY WANTED \$150,000 TO GO TO THE CITIES ON  
20 ORGANIZING THE HOMELESS. I REPRESENT MANY DIFFERENT FRONTS. I  
21 ALSO AM A PUBLIC ACCESS PRODUCER. MY NEXT SHOW WILL AIR MARCH  
22 14TH, 9 P.M., TIME-WARNER STUDIOS IN HOLLYWOOD. I REALLY DON'T  
23 UNDERSTAND WHY WE NEED A REGIONAL PLAN TO ADDRESS  
24 HOMELESSNESS. I WAS READING THIS ITEM ON THE INTERNET AND SAW  
25 THAT THERE WAS NO SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS. I WAS ALARMED AT THAT.



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1 THE BOARD MUST TAKE A PROACTIVE STANCE ON HOMELESSNESS AND  
2 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. BY THE LOOKS OF THE ENVIRONMENT,  
3 WARNINGS THAT WE'VE HAD, AND I DON'T SEE ANY CHANGES IN THIS  
4 BOARD, MASS TRANSIT. I HEARD ALL THESE PEOPLE SPEAKING THIS  
5 MORNING. YOU KNOW, THERE WERE SOME THINGS THAT WERE LEFT OUT  
6 ON YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL -- I MEAN ON YOUR PLAN, YOUR REGIONAL  
7 PLAN FOR HOMELESSNESS. I DIDN'T SEE PAROLEEES, I DIDN'T SEE  
8 ILLEGALS, AND I DIDN'T SEE ELDERLIES. AND BECAUSE PAROLEEES  
9 ARE SENT OUT ON THE STREETS. THEY HAVE A \$200 GATE MONEY. AND  
10 THEN IF THEY DON'T FIND A PLACE, THEY SEND THEM RIGHT BACK.  
11 WELL THERE'S THE PRISON GUARD'S UNION. WE NEED TO ELECT A  
12 DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONS BY THE PRISON, AND STAMP OUT THE  
13 MURDEROUS GUARDS' UNION AND THE TYRANNICAL GRIP THAT THEY HAVE  
14 ON SOCIETY. THEY BREAK THESE RACES UP. YOU GOT THE BLACKS, THE  
15 WHITES, AND THE HISPANICS. WELL THEY'VE GOT THE HISPANICS AND  
16 THEN THEY PIT THEM AGAINST EACH OTHER. IT'S INSANE WHAT'S  
17 GOING ON IN THERE. THERE'S SOME ISSUES. I WAS NOTICING THAT I  
18 CAN'T SPEAK ON THIS ISSUE TODAY ON PUBLIC SAFETY. DUDE, THIS  
19 GLOBAL TELLINK, YOU GUYS HAVE NOT THE FIRST CLUE OF WHAT'S  
20 GOING ON. THAT GLOBAL TELLINK IS NO MORE THAN A SCAM ON THE  
21 PEOPLE. THE BIGGEST HIGH RISK -- I GOT 22 SECONDS TO TALK. I  
22 MEAN IT'S INSANE. WE WERE GOING TO TALK ABOUT BAIL BONDSMAN.  
23 ABOUT GLOBE-TEL WHICH WAS NOT IN THE ISSUE. I MEAN, YOU JUST  
24 DON'T GIVE A GUY AN EASY WAY TO GO. I'LL SAVE MY COMMENTS ON  
25 THE BAIL BONDS ISSUES AT PUBLIC COMMENT. BUT THIS GLOBE-TEL IS



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1 TAKING OFF THE THING HERE TODAY AND THEY CHARGE, INSTEAD OF  
2 TAKING THESE KIDS, ALLOW ME THIS ONE MINUTE, SUPERVISOR, I  
3 DRIVE 3-1/2 HOURS AND I HAVEN'T BEEN HERE IN YEARS -- MONTHS.  
4 THEY TAKE GLOBE-TEL, NOW HERE'S THESE KIDS THAT ARE THE  
5 BIGGEST HIGH RISK, THE BIGGEST HIGH RISK OF REPEAT OFFENDERS.  
6 THESE ARE THE CHILDREN IN INSTITUTIONS. WELL IF THE GUY WANTS  
7 TO PARENT FROM AN INSTITUTION HE DOESN'T HAVE A CHANCE. ALL  
8 WE'VE GOT TO DO IS TAKE, SET UP COMPUTERS, LITTLE SCREENS, AND  
9 THEN THE INMATES ARE ON KIND OF LIKE A LITTLE -- THEY HAVE A  
10 CARROT THAT YOU HOLD AT THEM. INSTEAD THESE KIDS ARE BASICALLY  
11 GETTING THE SHORT END OF THE STICK AND THEY'RE GUARANTEED. I  
12 MEAN WE CAN SET UP COMPUTERS AND LITTLE CAMERAS. OKAY, IF  
13 YOU'RE A GOOD CONVICT TODAY YOU GET TO TALK, AND PARENT, WITH  
14 YOUR KID. WELL, WE HAVE THE MEANS, COUNTY SUPERVISORS.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED --

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18 **E.T. SNELL:** IS THAT STILL 20 SECONDS I GOT.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NO YOU FINISHED. MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED  
21 BY KNABE, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM 5. NOW ON ITEM  
22 10? MR. SACHS? WAS 10 THE ONE THAT THE C.E.O. ASKED TO RETURN  
23 TO HIM?

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MR. SACHS? ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, 10  
3 WILL BE CONTINUED. ITEM 11? DR. CLAVREUL AND MR. SACHS. DR.  
4 CLAVREUL, DO YOU WANT TO COME FORWARD?

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. IS THIS ITEM GOING BACK TO THE  
8 DEPARTMENT?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THIS ONE IS COMING BACK ALSO.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT'S BEING CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WANTED TO MAKE SURE, I WASN'T SURE I  
15 HEARD WELL. WELL, YOU KNOW, AS USUAL, WE ARE GETTING A LOT OF  
16 THOSE ITEMS TO GO BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. I WOULD HIGHLY  
17 SUGGEST THAT THEY DO THEIR HOMEWORK FIRST SO THEY DON'T HAVE  
18 TO BE PUSHED BACK. ON THIS ONE, DEFINITELY THEY HAVE TO DO  
19 SOME MORE WORK. I MEAN, TO INCREASE THE PAY SCALE FROM \$125  
20 PER HOUR TO \$225 PER HOUR, THAT'S A TREMENDOUS INCREASE. BUT I  
21 DON'T THINK THOSE PEOPLE SHOULD BE PAID HIGH SALARIES, BUT WHY  
22 WAITING SO LONG TO COME TO THE DECISION? ALSO, I AM CONCERNED  
23 ON THE WAY THOSE SPECIALTY AND SUB-SPECIALTY ARE IDENTIFIED.  
24 THE HIGHEST PAY GO TO SURGERY, IT'S NOT A SUPER SPECIALTY,  
25 GYNECOLOGY, ONCOLOGY, EITHER. AND LESS MONEY, A MAXIMUM OF





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1 \$175 PER HOUR FOR CRITICAL CARE, EMERGENCY MEDICINE, NEONATAL  
2 -- I MEAN, THOSE ARE ACTUAL SPECIALTIES. AND I WONDER HOW IS  
3 IT DECIDE? CERTAINLY IT DOESN'T FOLLOW THE MEDICAL SHORTAGE.  
4 SO I SUGGEST THEY DO THEIR HOMEWORK ON THIS ONE. ALSO, IT  
5 SEEMS THAT LOOKING AT THE STATEMENT THAT THERE WILL BE NO  
6 R.F.P. OR ADVERTISEMENT ON THE WEB ON THOSE POSITIONS. YOU  
7 COULD ALMOST SAY THAT THE PHYSICIANS ARE SELECTED BY WHOM THEY  
8 KNOW. AND I AM A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. I'M ALSO  
9 CONCERNED ABOUT THE NUMBER. I MEAN THE NUMBER IS FUNDAMENTAL  
10 ON ALL THOSE INSTITUTIONS. IT IS A COST OVER \$25 MILLION A  
11 YEAR. I THINK MAYBE YOU CAN THINK OF SOME PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT  
12 VERSUS SO MUCH OUTSTAFFING. BUT THAT WILL DEMAND A LITTLE MORE  
13 HARD WORK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS.  
16 I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT SOME FUNDING, ESPECIALLY FROM LAST  
17 WEEK'S MEETING REGARDING THE HEALTH CLINICS THAT WERE -- THE  
18 SITUATION WITH THE CLOSURE. FROM THE ARTICLE THAT APPEARED IN  
19 THE NEWSPAPER, AND I KNOW I BROUGHT THIS UP LAST WEEK,  
20 FEBRUARY 15TH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU QUOTED -- I'M  
21 QUOTING FROM THE NEWSPAPER THAT THEY GOT COSTS OF \$197 PER  
22 VISIT TO ONE OF ITS OWN FACILITIES. AND I'M CONCERNED, BECAUSE  
23 IN NUMEROUS ARTICLES, YOU HAVE HEALTH CENTERS MENTIONED, YOU  
24 HAVE PRIMARY CARE FACILITIES MENTIONED. AND YOU HAVE URGENT  
25 CARE FACILITIES MENTIONED. AND YOU HAVE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH



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1 CENTERS MENTIONED. SO I'M CURIOUS TO FIND OUT ARE WE TALKING  
2 ABOUT ONE CENTER? ONE FACILITY? OR ARE WE TALKING ABOUT  
3 DIFFERENT FACILITIES? AND THE NUMBERS OF EACH FACILITY. AND  
4 YOU ALSO HAVE PRIVATE NONPROFIT PARTNERS WHO ARE RUNNING SOME  
5 OF THESE FACILITIES. OR ARE THEY RUNNING FACILITIES LIKE THAT?  
6 PRIVATE CLINICS GET \$94 REIMBURSED BY THE COUNTY. SO THE  
7 DIFFERENCE IS \$100. I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT SOME ITEMS IN SOME  
8 OTHER AGENDAS THAT HAVE COME UP BEFORE THE COUNTY. THIS IS  
9 FROM JANUARY 15TH, ITEM NUMBER 26. RECOMMENDATION. FIND THAT  
10 SERVICES CAN BE PERFORMED MORE ECONOMICALLY BY AN INDEPENDENT  
11 CONTRACTOR, AWARD AND INSTRUCT THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH  
12 MARIPOSA HORTICULTURAL ENTERPRISES. THIS IS FROM JANUARY 29TH.  
13 FIND THAT SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE PERFORMED MORE FEASIBLY BY  
14 AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR, AWARD AND INSTRUCT THE CHAIR TO  
15 SIGN PROPOSITION A AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES  
16 OPHTHALMOLOGY MEDICAL GROUP. THIS IS FROM JANUARY 22ND. THIS  
17 IS A GOOD ONE. I LIKE THIS ONE. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE  
18 CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER TO EXECUTE PROPOSED WORK ORDER TO  
19 SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
20 ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT PROJECT TO ASSIST D.H.S. IN  
21 IMPLEMENTING AN INDUSTRY'S BEST PRACTICES. SO FIND OUT THIS.  
22 IF IT COSTS \$197 TO SEE AN INDIGENT PATIENT AT A COUNTY  
23 FACILITY AND IT COSTS A PRIVATE NONPROFIT PARTNER BETWEEN \$130  
24 AND \$140, WHAT ARE WE MISSING HERE? I UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S A  
25 MATH PROBLEM. AND I UNDERSTAND THE SHORTCOMINGS THE COUNTY



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1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS WITH MATH, BUT THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS  
2 THAT EVERY PATIENT THAT SHOULD COME INTO A -- IS IT A  
3 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER? IS IT A PRIMARY CARE FACILITY? IS  
4 IT A HEALTH CENTER? IS IT AN URGENT CARE FACILITY? IT SHOULD  
5 COST THE COUNTY \$197. AND YET TO RECEIVE COMPARABLE CARE AT A  
6 PRIVATE NONPROFIT PARTNER CLINIC SHOULD COST THE \$130. THANK  
7 YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I'M CALLING  
8 DR. MOE, DR. LARRY, DR. CURLY. CALLING DR. MOE, DR. LARRY, DR.  
9 CURLY.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** 11 IS CONTINUED. ITEM 11 IS CONTINUED. IS  
12 THERE ANYTHING FURTHER? WE'LL NOW HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.  
13 DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE, LEON BROWN, TIMOTHY KINT, WOULD YOU  
14 PLEASE COME FORWARD? YES, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

15

16 **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** MY NAME IS DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE. I  
17 RESIDE AT 819 WEST STOCKWELL STREET IN THE CITY OF COMPTON.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THE MICROPHONE DOWN.

20

21 **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** I RESIDE AT 819 WEST STOCKWELL STREET IN  
22 THE CITY OF COMPTON, CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE REALLY JUST TRYING  
23 TO SEEK ADVICE, ASSISTANCE AND DIRECTION. ON MARCH 30TH OF  
24 2007, THE COMPTON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE LOS ANGELES  
25 PROBATION DEPARTMENT ENTERED MY HOME WHILE I WAS NOT THERE.



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1 EARLIER THAT MORNING OF MARCH THE 30TH I WENT TO THE BANK AND  
2 I WITHDREW \$2,000 FROM MY CHECKING ACCOUNT. I THEN WENT BACK  
3 HOME, PUT THE MONEY IN MY DRAWER AND PREPARED MYSELF FOR A  
4 DENTAL APPOINTMENT. AFTER I LEFT MY HOME ABOUT AN HOUR AND A  
5 HALF LATER, I RECEIVED A CALL FROM MY NEIGHBOR TELLING ME THAT  
6 THE POLICE WERE IN MY HOME WITH VIDEO CAMERAS. WHEN I FINISHED  
7 AT THE DENTIST I WENT STRAIGHT TO THE COMPTON SHERIFF'S  
8 STATION AND FILED A COMPLAINT. THE SERGEANT INFORMED ME THAT  
9 HE AND OTHER OFFICERS AND L.A. PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAD WENT  
10 INTO MY HOME AND THEY HAD RETRIEVED MY REGISTERED GUN. AFTER  
11 FILING A COMPLAINT, I RETURNED HOME AND DISCOVERED THAT THERE  
12 WAS DAMAGES TO MY HOME, A HEATING VENT AND MY MONEY WAS  
13 MISSING. I WENT BACK TO THE SHERIFF'S STATION AND REPORTED THE  
14 DAMAGE TO THE HOME AND THE MONEY AS BEING MISSING. THE FIRST  
15 WEEK OF APRIL I SPOKE AT THE CITY COUNCIL, THE COMPTON CITY  
16 COUNCIL, REGARDING THE INCIDENT. AND THE COMPTON SHERIFF'S  
17 DEPARTMENT RESPONDED WITHIN A WEEK. AFTER DOING AN  
18 INVESTIGATION, THEY DETERMINED THAT THEY WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO  
19 GO INTO MY HOME AND THEY WERE ONLY THERE TO ASSIST THE  
20 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THEY RETURNED MY REGISTERED GUN, HAD ME  
21 TO FILE A COMPLAINT REGARDING THE DAMAGES TO MY HOME AND SEND  
22 IT OUT. AND CAPTAIN RYAN OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GAVE ME  
23 THE NAME OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR SIMMS OF THE LOS ANGELES PROBATION  
24 DEPARTMENT TO CONTACT. I SPOKE WITH THE DEPUTY SIMMS REGARDING  
25 THIS AND HE TURNED OVER THE SITUATION TO A MISS COTTON, CHIEF



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1 OF SPECIAL SERVICES. SHE CONTACTED ME ON ONE OCCASION AND SAID  
2 THAT EVERYTHING WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF, THERE WOULD BE AN  
3 INVESTIGATION. I HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED THREE TIMES BY INTERNAL  
4 AFFAIRS. EACH TIME PROVING THAT I HAD MONEY IN THE BANK, THAT  
5 I HAVE TAKEN THE MONEY OUT. EACH TIME IT WAS TOLD TO ME THAT  
6 THERE WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO BE -- THEY HAD MISSED THE ADDRESS OR  
7 SOMETHING. THEY WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO COME INTO MY HOME. I FILED  
8 SEVERAL COMPLAINTS. THEY HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO THE OMBUDSMAN,  
9 BUT THEY HAVE ALL STOPPED. ALL COMMUNICATION WITH THE L.A.  
10 PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS STOPPED. I'M JUST HERE TRYING TO SEEK  
11 DIRECTION. THE COMPTON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS UPHELD AND  
12 TAKEN CARE OF THEIR END OF IT. BUT THE L.A. PROBATION  
13 DEPARTMENT HAD TOLD ME THAT THE PROBATION OFFICER TALLY WOULD  
14 BE INVESTIGATED AND THAT MY MONEY WOULD BE RETURNED. IT'S  
15 ALMOST A YEAR NOW, MARCH 30TH, 2008 WILL BE A YEAR. THIS  
16 OFFICER IS STILL OUT THERE IN THE FIELD. AND THE L.A.  
17 PROBATION DEPARTMENT WILL NOT RETURN ANY OF MY CALLS.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE SPEAK TO YOU.

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21 **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DO WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE WHO CAN  
24 LOOK INTO THAT?

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1    **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** THANK YOU.

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3    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DID YOU FILE A CLAIM, A SEPARATE CLAIM WITH  
4    THE COUNTY FOR THE FUNDS?

5

6    **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** YES. I HAVE PACKAGES FOR EACH ONE --

7

8    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HAVE YOU FILED A CLAIM? HOW LONG AGO DID  
9    YOU FILE THE CLAIM?

10

11    **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** 5/29/2007.

12

13    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU FILED A CLAIM ACTUALLY WITH THE COUNTY  
14    FOR RETURN OF FUNDS?

15

16    **DEMETREAL LYNN BOONE:** YES.

17

18    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SOMEONE WILL SPEAK TO YOU.  
19    PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. AND COULD CATHERINE ANDREWS COME  
20    FORWARD?

21

22    **LEON BROWN:** HI, MY NAME IS LEON BROWN. THIS IS FOR COUNCILMAN  
23    YAROSLAVSKY. I'M AN I.H.S. PROVIDER. ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO I WAS  
24    TOLD WE COULDN'T DO OVER 300 HOURS, WHICH I FOUND WAS ILLEGAL.  
25    NEVERTHELESS, I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOUR IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE





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1 SERVICES CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE TELLING ME TO HIRE SOMEONE ELSE,  
2 USE SOMEONE ELSE'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AND THEN BE PAID,  
3 HAVE THAT PERSON PAY ME. NOW, THIS IS ALL IN WRITING. WE  
4 FOLLOWED THOSE DIRECTIONS. AND EIGHT MONTHS LATER I RECEIVED A  
5 CALL, ACTUALLY I GOT A KNOCK ON MY DOOR WHERE THE SHERIFF'S  
6 DEPARTMENT CAME TO MY HOUSE SAYING THAT I WAS COMMITTING  
7 FRAUD. THEY PULLED ME OUTSIDE OF MY HOME, HANDCUFFED ME TO MY  
8 BUILDING UNCLOTHED, SEARCHED MY HOUSE FOR SIX HOURS, TOOK TWO  
9 COMPUTERS, 40 BOXES OF MATERIAL, ONLY TO DETERMINE A YEAR  
10 LATER THAT I DID NOTHING WRONG AND THAT YOUR RULES AND  
11 REGULATIONS OF 300 HOURS ARE INCORRECT. THAT IT IS VIOLATING  
12 LABOR LAWS. AS OF TODAY, I HAVE YET TO RECEIVE MY PROPERTY  
13 BACK. I HAVE YET TO RECEIVE AN APOLOGY. YOU DID PAY ME THE  
14 \$54,000 BACK ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO. BUT PENALTIES AND  
15 INTEREST WERE NEVER PAID ON THAT MONEY. AND AS OF TODAY, THEY  
16 HAVE DECIDED TO TELL ME THAT I CAN NO LONGER BE A PROVIDER AND  
17 HAVE REMOVED ME AS A PROVIDER FOR THE REST OF MY CLIENTS. I'D  
18 LIKE TO KNOW WHAT YOU INTEND TO DO ABOUT THAT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, ACTUALLY AS I THINK YOU KNOW, AND I  
21 DON'T WANT TO TAKE THE BOARD'S TIME EXTENSIVELY, BUT JUST TO  
22 SAY THAT OUR OFFICE HAS BEEN IN CONSIDERABLE CONVERSATION WITH  
23 YOU AND THE COUNTY'S PEOPLE HAVE BEEN IN CONSIDERABLE  
24 CONVERSATION WITH YOU. I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR  
25 PROPERTY. WE'LL HAVE SOMEBODY CHECK INTO THAT. AS FAR AS YOUR



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1 300 HOURS I BELIEVE THAT'S A STATE LAW. A STATE REGULATION NOT  
2 A COUNTY REGULATION. AND FRANKLY, AS I UNDERSTAND YOUR  
3 SITUATION, MR. BROWN, YOU WANT TO WORK 800 HOURS AS AN  
4 I.H.S.S. PROVIDER AND YOU WANT TO MONITOR, AS I UNDERSTAND IT,  
5 YOU WANT TO MONITOR YOUR CLIENTS BY CELL PHONE AND BY VIDEO  
6 BUT NOT IN PERSON.

7

8 **LEON BROWN:** THAT'S INCORRECT.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I BELIEVE THE STATE -- WELL, I'M LOOKING  
11 AT THE MEMO THAT I HAVE FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES  
12 RIGHT HERE. IF IT'S NOT CORRECT, YOU NEED TO STRAIGHTEN THAT  
13 OUT.

14

15 **LEON BROWN:** THAT IS DEFINITELY INCORRECT. I LIVE IN THEIR SAME  
16 HOME. SO THAT'S INCORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT I GUESS THEIR VIEW IS THAT THEY DON'T  
19 THINK THAT YOU CAN ADEQUATELY PROVIDE FOR THE QUALITY OF CARE  
20 THAT THE I.H.S.S. PROGRAM DEMANDS UNLESS YOU'RE PHYSICALLY  
21 THERE. THEY HAVE QUESTIONED WHETHER YOU CAN PHYSICALLY BE AT  
22 SO MANY PLACES AT THE SAME TIME. IN ANY CASE, I BELIEVE YOUR  
23 GRIPE IS LARGELY WITH THE STATE ON THE REGULATIONS. ON THE  
24 PROPERTY, IF OUR PEOPLE LOOKED INTO THE PROPERTY, THEN I THINK  
25 WE SHOULD HAVE SOMEBODY TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT. BUT I'M NOT



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1 GOING TO INTERVENE ON YOUR BEHALF TO ALLOW YOU TO WORK 800  
2 HOURS IN A MONTH, WHICH IS LUDICROUS. I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE  
3 YOUR CLIENT IF YOU HAD 800 HOURS WORTH OF WORK.

4

5 **LEON BROWN:** EVEN IF THEY LIVE IN THE SAME HOME?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. I'D WANT MORE PERSONAL ATTENTION THAN  
8 800 HOURS COULD HANDLE. THAT'S NOT JUST MY VIEW AS A LAYMAN,  
9 IT'S ALSO THE VIEW OF THE PROFESSIONALS AND THE REGULATORS IN  
10 SACRAMENTO. BUT WE'LL HAVE SOMEBODY TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE  
11 PROPERTY. I WAS NOT AWARE OF THAT ISSUE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES, MR. KINT AND THEN ARNOLD SACHS PLEASE  
14 COME UP.

15

16 **TIMOTHY KINT:** HI, MY NAME IS TIMOTHY KINT. I AM AN I.H.S.S.  
17 RECIPIENT FROM MR. BROWN. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, I WILL PERSONALLY  
18 ATTEST TO THE PERSONAL CARE THAT I RECEIVE FROM MR. BROWN.  
19 HE'S ALWAYS HERE. HE ALWAYS SHOWS UP ON TIME. AND I CAN ATTEST  
20 TO THE FACT THAT HIS OTHER CLIENTS RECEIVE HELP. SO THERE IS A  
21 DEFINITE QUALITY OF CARE. I'VE RECEIVED SERVICES FOR THE LAST  
22 FOUR YEARS. SINCE THEN, AND I'VE RECEIVED THEM LEGALLY. I WENT  
23 TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WHERE I GOT THE HELP THAT I  
24 DESERVE. THE PERSON THAT CAME INTO MY OFFICE, TO MY HOUSE  
25 ACCUSED ME OF FRAUD OR FORGING A SIGNATURE OF MY DOCTOR, TO



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1 WHICH HE NEVER PROVIDED ANY DOCUMENTATION OTHERWISE. AND I  
2 HAVE BEEN, IN MY OPINION, HARASSED BY THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
3 OF THE D.P.S.S., RECENTLY THE A.P.S. CAME TO MY DOOR DOING  
4 SOME SORT OF QUALITY ASSESSMENT. I TOLD THEM THAT THEY CAME  
5 WITH QUESTIONS THAT WERE NOT APPLICABLE TO MY SITUATION. MY  
6 QUESTION, SIR, FOR YOU, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, IS: FROM THE RESEARCH  
7 THAT I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GARNER, IT IS THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
8 SUPERVISORS THAT HAS DIRECT OVERVIEW OF THE D.P.S.'S OFFICE.  
9 SO WHAT DO YOU PLAN ON DOING ABOUT THAT, SIR?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK I JUST SAID IT. AS LONG AS I HAVE  
12 THIS IN FRONT OF ME, I'M GOING TO READ THE PARAGRAPH FROM OUR  
13 OWN D.P.S.S., BECAUSE I THINK THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO KNOW  
14 WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE, SINCE YOU BROUGHT IT TO THE  
15 PUBLIC'S ATTENTION. I'M SORRY. I'M STILL GETTING USED TO THIS  
16 PIECE OF EQUIPMENT HERE. "WHAT REMAINS AS A LINGERING ISSUE,  
17 HOWEVER, IS MR. BROWN'S CONTENTION THAT HE CONTINUES TO  
18 PROVIDE OVER 800 PER MONTH OF SERVICE TO FIVE I.H.S.S.  
19 CONSUMERS, ALL OF WHOM ARE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED. FOUR OF  
20 THE CONSUMERS LIVE IN THE SAME APARTMENT COMPLEX AS MR. BROWN.  
21 ALTHOUGH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES HAS  
22 CONFIRMED THAT ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY, THAT IS CELL PHONES AND  
23 VIDEO MONITORS, ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE METHODS OF SUPERVISION, MR.  
24 BROWN REFUTES THE STATE'S POSITION AND OURS, THAT IS THE  
25 COUNTY'S. HIS CLAIM THAT HE CAN EFFECTIVELY CARE FOR ALL FIVE



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1 CONSUMERS VIA TELEPHONE CONTACTS AND "EFFECTIVE TIME  
2 MANAGEMENT" IS THE BASIS FOR HIS POSITION THAT THE STATE AND  
3 COUNTY ARE DENYING HIM HIS RIGHTS AS A MULTIPLE CONSUMER  
4 PROVIDER." IT GOES ON TO SAY, "FORTUNATELY, THE INTENT OF THE  
5 I.H.S.S. PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY CASE MANAGEMENT, NOT  
6 TIME MANAGEMENT. PROVIDERS ARE PAID TO MEET SPECIFIC AND  
7 REQUIRED NEEDS IN A SENSITIVE AND CARING MODE. THEY ARE NOT  
8 PAID TO STREAMLINE AND SHORTCUT PERSONAL CARE, ESPECIALLY FOR  
9 THOSE CONSUMERS WHO HAVE SEVERE IMPAIRMENTS. WHILE WE BELIEVE  
10 THAT MR. BROWN'S INTENTIONS ARE GENUINE, NEITHER THE STATE NOR  
11 THE DEPARTMENT CAN AUTHORIZE THIS SCOPE OF PROVIDER SERVICE TO  
12 ONE INDIVIDUAL WITHOUT SERIOUSLY JEOPARDIZING BOTH THE QUALITY  
13 AND THE INTEGRITY OF THE SERVICE." THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT.  
14 THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CATHERINE ANDREWS AND  
17 THEN MR. SACHS AND VICTOR H. ALEGRIA.

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19 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** I WAS ASKED TO COME AND SPEAK BY A  
20 SECRETARY AT THE CLAIMS DEPARTMENT TO MAKE MY CASE KNOWN. MY  
21 NAME IS CATHERINE ANDREWS, AND MY CASE--

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THAT MICROPHONE DOWN A LITTLE BIT SO WE  
24 CAN HEAR YOU BETTER.

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1   **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** MY CASE NUMBER IS 07 -- IS THAT BETTER? 07-  
2   105-7827. THE FOLLOWING IS A THEFT THAT COULD OCCUR TO ANYONE  
3   HERE WHO HAS THEIR OWN HOME OR PROPERTY AND THEY COULD, IF NOT  
4   VERY VIGILANT, LOSE THEIR PROPERTY. THE USAGE OF THE COUNTY  
5   RECORDER'S OFFICE AS A PROCESS OF VALIDATING ILLEGAL DOCUMENTS  
6   CAUSED MY EX-BOYFRIEND TO BE ABLE TO TAKE OVER THE TITLE OF MY  
7   FIRST HOUSE IN SANTA MONICA AND THEN THE SECOND HOUSE THAT I  
8   AM CURRENTLY LIVING IN AT GARCHER STREET. THE SECOND HOUSE I  
9   HAD ACQUIRED IN ORDER TO ESCAPE THE THREAT OF VIOLENCE FROM  
10   THE EX-BOYFRIEND BECAUSE HE KNEW WHERE I LIVED IN THE FIRST  
11   HOUSE. I COULD NOT SELL THE FIRST HOUSE BECAUSE HE HAD TITLE  
12   TO IT. I CURRENTLY HAVE TO PAY FOR TWO HOUSES AS A RESULT,  
13   WHICH IS A HUGE FINANCIAL BURDEN TO ME. UNFORTUNATELY, HE  
14   LOCATED MY NEW HOME AND STOLE THE TITLE ON THIS HOUSE, TOO.  
15   TAKING TITLES TO THE HOUSES WAS DONE WITHOUT ANY PROOF OF  
16   VALID DOCUMENTATION. THAT WAS THE ATTORNEY-IN-FACT. THIS WAS  
17   NEVER SHOWN AS IT DID NOT EXIST. THIS DOCUMENT, BY LAW, WAS  
18   NEVER NECESSARY FOR A NOTARY TO HAVE PRESENT WHEN NOTARIZING A  
19   QUITCLAIM. THIS ALLOWED HIM TO NOTARIZE BUT NOT VALIDATE IT IN  
20   ANY WAY, BECAUSE THE LAW DOES NOT OBLIGATE A NOTARY TO HAVE  
21   SUCH DOCUMENTATION, A QUITCLAIM STATING I HAD GIVEN HIM MY  
22   HOUSES. ARE YOU FOLLOWING WHAT I'M SAYING?

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24   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES. HAVE YOU BEEN TO CONSUMER AFFAIRS?

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1   **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** I HAVE. I WILL CONTINUE. I'VE BEEN TO THE  
2   POLICE. I'VE BEEN TO EVERYBODY THAT I SHOULD HAVE. I'VE HAD TO  
3   FILE A CIVIL CASE. IT'S COST ME \$40,000. AND GOING UP. SO  
4   SHALL I CONTINUE? BECAUSE TO GIVE YOU A CLEARER IDEA OF WHAT'S  
5   GOING ON IN THE SYSTEM. AND WHY IT NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. SHOULD  
6   I CONTINUE? I'M GOING TO RUN OUT OF TIME.

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8   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME'S NOT UP YET.

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10   **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** SORRY?

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12   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS NOT UP YET.

13

14   **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** OKAY. THIS PERMISSIBLE ACT BY LAW AND THE  
15   FACT THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR ANY EVIDENCE TO BE SHOWN AT THE  
16   COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE MADE THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE AN  
17   UNWITTING ACCOMPLICE TO A CRIME OF FRAUD AND FORGERY. I WENT  
18   DOWN TO THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE IN DECEMBER '07, VERY  
19   FRUSTRATED WITH THEIR CONSTANT RECORDING OF ILLEGAL DOCUMENTS.  
20   THE EX-BOYFRIEND HAS CURRENTLY CLAIMED TITLE FOUR TIMES ON  
21   BOTH HOUSES. I SPOKE TO THE COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE AT THE  
22   REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE. HE SAID THAT IF THE QUITCLAIM WAS  
23   PRESENTED AGAIN OR A DOCUMENT LIKE IT, HE WOULD RECORD IT  
24   AGAIN. AS IT IS. THEY HAVE, THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE,



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1 RECORDED TWO QUITCLAIMS AND TWO GIFTS OF THE HOUSES FROM THE  
2 EX-BOYFRIEND.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. DID YOU  
5 GIVE HIM ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, WAS THAT IT?

6

7 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** NO, I NEVER GAVE HIM ANYTHING, THAT'S WHAT  
8 I'M TRYING TO SAY.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HE JUST FORGED THE SIGNATURES?

11

12 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** NO SIGNATURE, NO EVIDENCE WHATSOEVER DID I  
13 GIVE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THEN THE NOTARY --

16

17 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** THEY WERE NOT REQUIRED BY LAW TO HAVE ANY  
18 KIND OF EVIDENCE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THEY ARE REQUIRED.

21

22 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** WELL THEY ARE NOT. I INQUIRED WITH THE  
23 NOTARIES AND WITH THE NOTARY OFFICE. AND THEY HAVE SAID THEY  
24 ARE ONLY REQUIRED TO IDENTIFY THE PERSON THAT IS IN FRONT OF  
25 THEM AS BEING THE PERSON THAT IS IN FRONT OF THEM. AND THEY



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1 WILL STAMP ANY DOCUMENT, IN PARTICULAR THIS QUITCLAIM. THAT'S  
2 WHAT ENABLES THEM TO -- HIM TO STEAL THESE PLACES SO QUICKLY  
3 AND SO EASILY. THERE'S NO EVIDENCE FROM ME WHATSOEVER TO GIVE  
4 HIM, FOR HIM TO DO THIS. AND IT HAS COST ME A HUGE AMOUNT OF  
5 MONEY. I HAVE BEEN TO THE POLICE. I HAVE SPENT ONE YEAR AND  
6 TWO MONTHS ON THIS CASE. IT'S COST ME OVER \$40,000.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF CONSUMER AFFAIRS HAS LOOKED AT IT AND IF  
9 THE D.A. HAS LOOKED AT IT, BECAUSE THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY HE  
10 COULD HAVE GOTTEN THE QUITCLAIM DEED. I MEAN IT WOULDN'T MAKE  
11 ANY DIFFERENCE IF IT WAS JUST FROM HIM TO QUITCLAIMING IT  
12 UNLESS YOUR NAME APPEARED ON IT.

13

14 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** HE SAID THAT HE WAS MY ATTORNEY-IN-FACT,  
15 AND HE SIGNED IT.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HE HAD POWER OF ATTORNEY. NOW, DID YOU EVER  
18 GIVE HIM POWER OF ATTORNEY?

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20 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** NO, I DIDN'T GIVE HIM ANY POWER OF  
21 ATTORNEY. AND THERE WAS NO NEED FOR ANY EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU NEVER GAVE HIM A POWER OF ATTORNEY,  
24 THEN YOU APPARENTLY HAVE A VERY GOOD CASE. BUT ANYHOW,  
25 CONSUMER AFFAIRS CAN LOOK AT IT AGAIN.



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2 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** I HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THEM AND I WAS  
3 ADVISED TO COME HERE TO DISCUSS THIS BECAUSE IT'S CAUSED ME A  
4 HUGE AMOUNT OF DISTRESS. AND I HAVE HAD TO WORK EXTREMELY HARD  
5 TO MAINTAIN MYSELF THROUGH THIS.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL TAKE A LOOK. DO YOU  
8 HAVE A COPY OF WHAT HE CLAIMS WAS A POWER OF ATTORNEY?

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10 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** YES. I DO HAVE COPIES, YES.

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL HAVE SOMEONE TAKE A  
13 LOOK AT WHAT HE CLAIMS IS A POWER OF ATTORNEY AND THE  
14 QUITCLAIM DEED.

15

16 **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** YES, YOU CAN DO THAT. BUT I'M ALSO HERE TO  
17 STATE THAT FOR PEOPLE GENERALLY, THIS GOES ON A LOT. AND THERE  
18 SHOULD BE A TIGHTENING OF THE LAW TO STOP PEOPLE FROM DOING  
19 THIS. BECAUSE IT'S VERY, VERY EASY FOR SOMEBODY TO GO DOWN AND  
20 RECORD TITLE ON SOMETHING THEY DON'T OWN. AND IT'S CAUSED A  
21 HUGE AMOUNT OF DISTRESS TO AN AWFUL LOT OF PEOPLE.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** COUNTY COUNSEL WILL LOOK AT IT.

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1   **CATHERINE ANDREWS:** PLEASE CONSIDER THIS, CHANGING THE LAW,  
2   MAKING IT MORE STRICT SO PEOPLE CAN'T DO THIS. I JUST WANT TO  
3   SAY THAT THIS PERSON, THIS EX-BOYFRIEND, IS INDIGENT AND  
4   THERE'S NO WAY THAT HE'S EVER GOING TO COMPENSATE ME FOR THE  
5   COSTS ON THIS. AND HE'S ALSO MENTALLY ILL, WHICH IS A MAJOR  
6   PROBLEM, ACTUALLY, IN THIS CITY, UNFORTUNATELY.

7

8   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE STATE YOUR  
9   NAME. AND WOULD DANIEL GARCIA ALSO COME FORWARD? ARE YOU NEXT,  
10  MR. SACHS?

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12  **ARNOLD SACHS:** I CAN WAIT. YOU WANT TO TALK?

13

14  **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

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16  **ARNOLD SACHS:** ARNOLD SACHS. GOOD NEWS IS, IS THURSDAY, THERE'S  
17  ANOTHER M.T.A. BOARD MEETING. BUT UNFORTUNATELY I MAY NOT BE  
18  ABLE TO MAKE THAT BECAUSE I WILL BE AT A CITY COUNCIL MEETING.  
19  SO I THOUGHT I'D BRING SOME INFORMATION IN FRONT OF THE BOARD  
20  HERE.

21

22  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH CITY DO YOU GO TO? L.A. THERE'S A  
23  MEETING ON THURSDAY. BUT IF THEY CANCEL, I'LL BE AT THIS  
24  M.T.A. BOARD MEETING. ANYWAY, FROM WEDNESDAY THE 20TH, THIS IS  
25  THE AGENDA FROM THE PLANNING AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING.



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1 ITEM NUMBER 7 WAS RECEIVE AND FILE STATUS REPORT ON THE WEST  
2 SIDE EXTENSION ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS STUDY, SCOPE AND PROJECTS  
3 AND THE PRELIMINARY DEFINITION OF ALTERNATIVES FOR SCREENING.  
4 SPEAKING OF DEFINITIONS, ARE WE TALKING ABOUT AN EXTENSION FOR  
5 THE RED LINE? ARE WE TALKING ABOUT EXTENSION FOR THE PURPLE  
6 LINE? OR ARE YOU JUST USING THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION TO FILL IN  
7 THE BLANKS? WHICHEVER ONE YOU WANT TO USE? FURTHERMORE ON THE  
8 PLANNING PROGRAM COMMITTEE, THE GREEN SHEET, ITEM NUMBER 33 IS  
9 RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT ON POTENTIAL TRANSPORTATION REVENUE  
10 GENERATING OPPORTUNITIES USING THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCE  
11 MECHANISM TO HELP FUND CONSTRUCTION OF A PROPOSED WEST SIDE  
12 SUBWAY EXTENSION. PLEASE, WHY NOT CALL A DUCK A DUCK? ARE WE  
13 TALKING AGAIN THE RED LINE OR THE PURPLE LINE? YOU'RE  
14 DISGUIISING THE CONCEPT THAT YOU WANT TO BACK IS LIKE THE SAME  
15 METHOD YOU USED ON THE GOLD LINE, THE PASADENA GOLD LINE, THE  
16 FOOTHILL GOLD LINE EXTENSION. YOU'RE LOOKING FOR FUNDING BUT  
17 YOU'RE NOT DESCRIBING WHAT YOU WANT TO FUND. FOR ALL THE  
18 PUBLIC KNOWS, YOU COULD BE TALKING ABOUT THE EXPO LINE BECAUSE  
19 THAT'S ALSO ON THE WEST SIDE. ITEM NUMBER 1. WE'LL BRING THOSE  
20 QUESTIONS UP AGAIN.

21  
22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23  
24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO, ITEM NUMBER 2 IN THE NEWS, THERE'S GOING TO  
25 BE REGIONAL CONNECTED TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT UPDATE MEETINGS



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1 COMING UP. I'LL BE AT THIS ONE ON THURSDAY, ALSO. ACCORDING TO  
2 THE L.A. TIMES FROM FEBRUARY 25TH, THE IDEA IS TO CREATE A  
3 RAIL THOROUGHFARE SO THAT PASSENGERS CAN TRAVEL SEAMLESSLY  
4 FROM PASADENA TO LONG BEACH AND EVENTUALLY FROM CULVER CITY TO  
5 EAST L.A. THEN I'M QUOTING FROM DOLORES ROYBAL SALTARELLI,  
6 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING MANAGER FOR THE M.T.A. THIS WOULD  
7 ENABLE US TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO TRAVEL ALL OVER DEPENDING UPON  
8 THE OPERATION WITHOUT A TRANSFER. THEY WOULDN'T NEED TO USE  
9 THE RED LINE, FOR EXAMPLE, TO GO FROM THE GOLD TO THE BLUE THE  
10 WAY IT IS DONE NOW. QUESTIONS: WE HAD AN ORIGINAL PLAN,  
11 ACCORDING TO YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, OF THE PASADENA BLUE  
12 LINE WAS SUPPOSED TO CONNECT TO THE ORIGINAL BLUE LINE. WHERE  
13 IS THAT PLAN? ACCORDING TO THIS WOMAN, SINCE THEY WOULDN'T  
14 NEED A TRANSFER, WOULD THE NEW SYSTEM BE FOR FREE THAT YOU'RE  
15 TALKING ABOUT? AND THEN ACCORDING TO THE MAPS, IT SHOWS A  
16 CONNECTION FROM THE TOKYO, THE LITTLE TOKYO STATION, WHICH IS  
17 PART OF THE EAST SIDE CONSTRUCTION. WOULD THE GOLD LINE EAST  
18 SIDE EXTENSION THAT WILL OPEN, WILL ONE TICKET ALLOW YOU TO  
19 TRAVEL FROM THE SIERRA MADRE STATION TO ATLANTIC STATION  
20 WITHOUT BUYING A TRANSFER?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** PLEASE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS AND THANK YOU  
25 FOR YOUR TIME.





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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, MR. SNELL, YOU COME UP NOW. AND  
3 MR. ALEGRIA, AND THEN MR. GARCIA. IT'S YOUR TURN.

4

5 **VICTOR ALEGRIA:** YES, MY NAME IS VICTOR ALEGRIA. I'M FROM  
6 C.R.S. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING, MS.  
7 GLORIA MOLINA. THAT'S IT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. GARCIA? MR.  
10 SNELL, I THOUGHT YOU FINISHED.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, I'M GOING TO READ A LETTER  
13 THAT HE HAS PREPARED. I AM DANIEL GARCIA, REPRESENTING  
14 COMMUNITY REHABILITATION SERVICE CONSUMERS IN EAST LOS ANGELES  
15 AND SAN GABRIEL AREAS. I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF CONSUMERS WHO  
16 FEEL THAT ACCESS SERVICES NEED TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES THAT  
17 THEY PROVIDE. ONE OF THE AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT NEEDED IS THAT  
18 THERE NEEDS TO BE ACCESS SERVICE SIGNS ON PUBLIC PLACES LIKE  
19 VETERANS' HOSPITALS, AIRPORT SENIOR CENTER, AIRPORTS, SENIOR  
20 CENTERS AND OTHER FACILITIES THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES  
21 GATHER TO ENJOY THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT OTHERS ENJOY, LIKE  
22 THE STAPLES CENTER AND UNIVERSAL STUDIO. THESE ACCESS SERVICES  
23 SIGNS THAT ARE IN PLACE LIKE AT DODGER STADIUM AND THE L.A.  
24 CONVENTION CENTER SHOULD BE AWARE BY PROVIDERS WHO GENERALLY  
25 DON'T KNOW WHERE THESE SIGNS ARE LOCATED. THEY SHOULD BE MADE



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1 AWARE TO PROVIDERS. THIS ISSUE CAN SAVE MONEY AND TIME FOR THE  
2 PROVIDERS AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF SERVICES THAT PEOPLE WITH  
3 DISABILITIES, SENIOR CITIZENS, AND VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
4 DESERVE. I'VE GONE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, LOS  
5 ANGELES CITY, AND THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITY. I HAVE  
6 THE SUPPORT OF THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION, LA FAMILIA UNIDA,  
7 LIVING WITH M.S. AND THE UNITED FARMWORKERS. STATE SENATOR  
8 GILBERT CEDILLO WROTE A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THIS URGENT  
9 ISSUE. I HAVE ALSO GONE TO THE ACCESS SERVICES COMMUNITY  
10 ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONALS ADVISORY  
11 COMMITTEE, AND THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE. I  
12 HAVE TOLD YOU, MY OWN CITY COUNCILMAN, GREG SMITH, -- I HAVE  
13 ALSO TALKED WITH MY OWN CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, GREG SMITH, WHO  
14 REPRESENTS CHATSWORTH ABOUT THIS ISSUE. HE HAS A LETTER. BUT  
15 HE ONLY HAS ONE COPY. HE'D LIKE TO HAND IT IN FOR THE PUBLIC  
16 RECORD. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

17  
18 **DANIEL GARCIA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. LYNNE PLAMBECK, PLEASE COME  
21 FORWARD. AND ALSO CAM NOLTEMEYER. YES, MR. SNELL.

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23 **E.T. SNELL:** YEAH, COUNTY SUPERVISORS, WE'RE GOING TO TALK  
24 ABOUT, I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT EARLIER, THERE'S A LOT OF  
25 UNDERLYING FACTORS THAT LAY INTO CRIME, POVERTY, HOMELESSNESS



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1 THAT NOBODY REALLY ADDRESSES OR LOOKS AT. LET'S SAY, FOR  
2 EXAMPLE, ONE OF YOUR CHILDREN ARE IN THE JAIL SYSTEM. AND MR.  
3 ANTONOVICH, LET'S SAY YOU HAVE TO PUT UP A \$100,000 BAIL BOND.  
4 IT COSTS YOU \$10,000 THROUGH THE TRADITIONAL BAIL BOND SYSTEM.  
5 NOW, I SENT MR. ANTONOVICH A BUNCH OF INFORMATION BECAUSE I  
6 THINK HE'S NEUTRAL IN HIS POSITION, OR AT LEAST I FEEL HE IS,  
7 ON THE BAIL BONDS ISSUE. ADAM LIPTAK OF THE NEW YORK TIMES ON  
8 JANUARY 28TH LAST MONTH WROTE AN ARTICLE "BAIL IS PANDEMONIUM  
9 TO RANSOM. AND IT IS ILLEGAL PROFITEERING ON THE PEOPLE." THIS  
10 IS THE ONLY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD THAT HAS BAIL BONDSMEN. AND  
11 I'VE BEEN FIGHTING THEM FOR YEARS. YOU HEARD ME TALK ABOUT IT.  
12 YOU CAN POST YOUR REAL ESTATE TO THE COURT. SO A \$50,000 BAIL  
13 OR 100,000 ISN'T FIVE OR 10 GRAND. IT'S A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS.  
14 BUT NOW WHAT HAPPENS IN THE PROPERTY BOND, CALL IT PROPERTY  
15 BOND, PENAL CODE SECTION 12. IT'S NEVER COST THE COUNTY ONE  
16 PENNY, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, NOT ONE PENNY, MR. KNABE, GLORIA  
17 MOLINA. A PROPERTY BOND HAS NEVER COST THE COUNTY ONE PENNY.  
18 BUT NOW, WHEN THE BAIL BONDSMEN RUN IN TO DO A BAIL BOND, AND  
19 THE GUY SKIPS, WHAT HAPPENS? THEY HAVE THREE BITES OF THE  
20 APPLE ON FORFEITURE PROCESS TO NOT PAY THE COUNTY. I'M TELLING  
21 YOU, WE NEED -- AND NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN MR. CHU AT COUNTY  
22 COUNSEL WHO IS IN CHARGE OF DOING FORFEITURES FOR THE COUNTY,  
23 HE'S IN CHARGE OF DOING THE PROPERTY BOND MOTIONS. SO HE'S  
24 TELLING ME YOU NEED A FULL BLOWN APPRAISAL. I'VE NEVER HAD A  
25 FULL BLOWN APPRAISAL BEFORE WHEN I'VE DONE THE OTHER HUNDREDS



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1 OF PROPERTY BONDS IN THE PAST. I'VE NEVER REQUIRED A FULL  
2 BLOWN REAL ESTATE TITLE POLICY. BUT NOW, BECAUSE MR. CHU WANTS  
3 TO DEFEND THE POSITION OF THE COUNTY. WE NEED TO OPEN THAT.  
4 MR. ANTONOVICH, HOW ABOUT IT? CAN WE GET A PUBLIC HEARING ON  
5 THE BAIL BONDS ISSUES HOW THEY AFFECT THE POOR AND THE  
6 PROPERTY BONDS, AND HOW IT'S CONDUCTED IN THIS COUNTY?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR STAFF IS LOOKING INTO THAT RIGHT NOW.

9

10 **E.T. SNELL:** YEAH, WHY IS IT THEN, MR. ANTONOVICH, WHAT I'M  
11 SAYING TO YOU IS, WHY SHOULD YOU REQUIRE A PERSON A \$500  
12 APPRAISAL WHEN A \$150 APPRAISAL IS JUST AS GOOD? WHY REQUIRE  
13 HIM \$500 TITLE POLICY REPORT IS A \$50 TITLE REPORT IS JUST AS  
14 GOOD? BECAUSE COUNTY USES IN THE TAX SALE PROPERTY LIEN  
15 PROCESS, THEY USE TITLE REPORTS, GENTLEMEN, MR. KNABE, GLORIA,  
16 MR. YAROSLAVSKY, THEY USE TITLE REPORTS. I'M TELLING YOU,  
17 THERE ARE VIABLE MEANS OF A DRIVE-BY APPRAISAL TO USE IT. WE  
18 DON'T NEED TO USE BAIL AS RANSOM IN THIS COUNTY. I WOULD HOPE  
19 THAT I COULD GET SOME COMMENT BACK ON THAT.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE CHECKING INTO THAT.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1   **E.T. SNELL:** AND COULD I MEET WITH MR. FORTNER ON THE  
2   GUIDELINES OF THE COUNTY --

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4   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY.

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6   **E.T. SNELL:** YES, I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU.

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8   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DR. CLAVREUL.

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10   **E.T. SNELL:** I TRIED TO CALL YOU LAST WEEK, RAY, BUT I DIDN'T  
11   GET ANY RETURN CALLS.

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13   **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. YAROSLAVSKY, HE CALLS ME BY MY FIRST NAME.

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15   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A SWITCH. MOST OF PEOPLE CALL ME BY  
16   MY FIRST NAME.

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18   **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I REALLY RESENT THAT. WHAT DO YOU EXPECT  
19   FROM A CLOWN? DID YOU HEAR WHAT I SAID?

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21   **E.T. SNELL:** NO, I WISH I WOULD HAVE.

22

23   **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, WELL. WATCH IT ON TV.

24



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1   **E.T. SNELL:** WELL GLORIA, I KNOW THAT MIKE HERNANDEZ THE DOPE  
2   FIEND BAIL BONDSMAN TOOK YOUR SEAT AT L.A. CITY COUNCIL. SO I  
3   WOULD ASK THAT IF YOU DO BRING THIS UP, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU  
4   DON'T-- BECAUSE YOU HAVE A VESTED INTEREST. WE KNOW THAT  
5   THERE'S NO BAIL BONDS REFORM IN THIS COUNTY.

6

7   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW WHAT? JUST AS A COURTESY, COULD  
8   YOU CALL ALL THE MEMBERS SUPERVISOR, BY THEIR LAST NAME?

9

10   **E.T. SNELL:** AS A COURTESY?

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12   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AS A COURTESY.

13

14   **E.T. SNELL:** WHEN HAVE I EVER GOTTEN ANY COURTESY FROM THIS  
15   BOARD? I'VE DONE TWO TRIPS IN PRISON ON PHONY CHARGES. BUT  
16   I'LL BE GLAD TO. I'LL BE GLAD TO GO ALONG WITH THE CIRCUS.

17

18   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I GIVE YOU THE COURTESY OF CALLING YOU BY  
19   YOUR LAST NAME.

20

21   **E.T. SNELL:** WELL, I'VE HEARD MRS. MOLINA, I'VE HEARD HER  
22   MISPRONOUNCE IT A FEW TIMES. E.T. SMELL AND THE REST OF IT.

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24   **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE NOT.

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1   **E.T. SNELL:** I DON'T COME HERE TO DISRESPECT ANYBODY. I JUST  
2   WANT TO SEE GOVERNMENT ON AN EVEN PLANE.

3

4   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. VERY MUCH. I'M AWARE OF THAT.

5

6   **E.T. SNELL:** YOU MIGHT FIX THAT BACK DOOR SO PEOPLE DON'T KEEP  
7   POPPING IN AND OUT. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THIS BOARD.

8

9   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

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11   **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** LYNNE PLAMBECK. I WANTED TO TAKE THE  
12   OPPORTUNITY TO EVOLVE A LITTLE BIT MORE ON WATER DURING PUBLIC  
13   SPEAKING. IT'S AN ISSUE, I KNOW YOU -- KIRA'S COME A LOT AND  
14   SPEAK ABOUT WATER. AND PERHAPS YOU THOUGHT IT WOULD APPLY TO  
15   THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. BUT THE STATE WATER SUPPLY OF COURSE  
16   IS COMING TO THE METROPOLITAN WATER AREA, TO SAN GABRIEL  
17   VALLEY AND TO SANTA CLARITA. UNFORTUNATELY IN SANTA CLARITA,  
18   WE ARE SO DEPENDENT ON STATE WATER THAT IF IT'S CUT BACK FROM  
19   THE NORTH, IT'S GOING TO REALLY HURT EVERYBODY. AND YOU HEARD  
20   TODAY THAT PEOPLE WERE TALKING ABOUT A DRAFT RELIABILITY  
21   REPORT. IN OUR COMMENTS, WE STRESSED THAT THIS IS A DRAFT. AND  
22   IT'S FINE TO LOOK AT A DRAFT AND HAVE SOME SENSE OF WHERE IT'S  
23   GOING, BUT YOU CANNOT RELY ON IT WHEN YOU'RE MAKING PLANNING  
24   DECISIONS. IT'S A DRAFT. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS  
25   ON IT. AND AS THINGS EVOLVE, IT MAY CHANGE CONSIDERABLY. MR.





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1 MASNADA STATED THAT WE ARE ONLY CUTTING BACK THE WATER 10  
2 PERCENT. BASICALLY THAT'S WHAT HE PRESENTED TO YOU. AND I  
3 THINK THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THE FLUX THAT'S IN THE STATE WATER  
4 PROJECT. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THE SUPERVISORS -- AND  
5 YOU'RE AFFECTED BY THIS, TOO, MR. KNABE, BECAUSE SAN GABRIEL  
6 VALLEY GETS ABOUT 30 PERCENT OR SOMETHING OF ITS WATER, STATE  
7 WATER PROJECT, IS THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON  
8 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE DELTA. BECAUSE WE'RE RECEIVING SO MUCH  
9 WATER FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND IF THEY CAN'T CONTINUE TO  
10 SEND IT TO US, AND IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE  
11 TO, TO THE EXTENT THAT IT HAPPENED IN THE PAST, I JUST THINK  
12 IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR ALL OF YOU TO -- I DON'T KNOW IF YOU  
13 HAVE STUDY SESSIONS OR SOMETHING OF THAT NATURE? WHERE YOU  
14 COULD RECEIVE SOME PRESENTATIONS ON THIS ISSUE. I THINK IT'S  
15 GOING TO BE -- IT'S GOING TO AFFECT ALL OF YOU. AND IT WOULD  
16 HELP TO NOT HAVE TO TRY TO EXPLAIN IT TO YOU IN THREE MINUTES  
17 OR HAVE YOU HEAR ABOUT IT IN THIS VERY CONTROVERSIAL SETTING.  
18 I THINK IT WOULD HELP TO HAVE SOME BACKGROUND MATERIAL ON IT.  
19 AND THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO SAY.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** CAM NOLTEMEYER, SPEAKING AGAIN FOR THE SANTA  
24 CLARITA ORGANIZATION OF PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT. I JUST  
25 HAVE SOME GENERAL CONCERNS WITH REGARD TO THE INFORMATION



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1 RECEIVED BY THE BOARD. THE COMMENTS THAT I HAD IN THE SCOPE  
2 LETTER WITH REGARD TO THE TICK CANYON, THAT IS A HILLSIDE  
3 PROJECT. AND THE COMMENT I USED WAS EXACT QUOTE FROM YOUR  
4 STAFF REPORT. AND THAT QUOTE IS "A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IS  
5 REQUIRED FOR THE PROJECT BECAUSE THE 492 DWELLING UNITS EXCEED  
6 THE NON-URBAN, LOW DENSITY OF 34 UNITS AND THE MIDPOINT  
7 DENSITY THRESHOLD OF 205 DWELLING UNITS." THAT IS A DIRECT  
8 QUOTE FROM YOUR STAFF REPORTS. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT  
9 CLEAR BECAUSE OF IT BEING PRESENTED FROM SCOPE. AND WE DO  
10 RESEARCH OUR COMMENTS, LETTERS QUITE A BIT. I WANTED TO  
11 CLARIFY THAT. NOW, IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE GENERAL PLAN  
12 ALLOWED APPARENTLY 492 DWELLING UNITS. NOW I'M FAMILIAR WITH  
13 GENERAL PLANS, AND IT IS JUST THAT. IT IS A GENERAL COMMENT.  
14 THIS WAS A HILLSIDE PROJECT. THAT'S WHY YOU WERE REQUIRED TO  
15 DO A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, SO THAT -- MANY THINGS WILL  
16 AFFECT THE NUMBER OF UNITS THAT CAN BE BUILT IN A PROJECT, NOT  
17 JUST YOUR GENERAL PLAN QUOTE. AND YET THAT IS BEING USED BY  
18 SOME MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AS JUSTIFICATION FOR SOME OF THESE  
19 PROJECTS. NOW, WE LIVE IN THAT AREA. WE SUFFER FROM THE  
20 RESULTS OF YOUR DECISIONS. WE ARE THE ONES THAT WILL HAVE TO  
21 BE CUT BACK ON OUR WATER IF THAT DRAFT REPORT REALLY ISN'T  
22 ACCURATE. WE ARE THE ONES THAT HAVE THE WORST AIR QUALITY IN  
23 THE NATION. AND WHEN YOU DO OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR AIR  
24 QUALITY, WHAT DOES THAT DO TO OUR CHILDREN? HOW ARE WE  
25 SUPPOSED TO ADDRESS AND LIVE WITH THAT? BUT WE HAVE TO IF YOU



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1 MAKE THOSE DECISIONS. AND IF YOU ARE NOT WATCHING CLOSELY WHAT  
2 IS HAPPENING WITH THE MANIPULATION OF SCHOOL SITES FROM ONE  
3 PROJECT TO ANOTHER AND THEN NEVER GETTING BUILT ARE PARKS THAT  
4 ARE CHANGED TO THE SIDE OF A MOUNTAIN THAT IS NEVER USABLE  
5 AFTER YOUR DECISIONS ARE MADE. THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT WE  
6 ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT. AND I JUST WANTED TO BRING THOSE  
7 CONCERNS TO YOUR ATTENTION. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THE ISSUE OF THE 34 VERSUS THE 391,  
12 WHATEVER THAT NUMBER WAS. I'LL GET YOU A CLARIFICATION ON THAT  
13 POINT FROM THE DEPARTMENT, OKAY?

14

15 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** THAT'S RIGHT OUT OF THE STAFF REPORT. THE  
16 FIRST PARAGRAPH IN OUR LETTER WAS CITED RIGHT OUT OF THE STAFF  
17 REPORT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I WANT THE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO THAT  
20 POINT.

21

22 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** OKAY. AND IT'S THE SAME THING WITH THE  
23 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT. I HAVE ANOTHER DOCUMENT, WHEN I  
24 SAID IT WAS 2001. AND THEN THEY COME UP AND SAY IT'S 2004.  
25 WELL THEY KNOW THAT IT WAS CERTIFIED THE FIRST TIME IN 2001.



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1 IT GETS DISCOURAGING, BECAUSE WE BRING THIS ISSUE TO YOU AND  
2 THEN WE'RE NOT ABLE TO RESPOND. ANYWAY, HAVE A GOOD DAY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'LL GET A REPLY FOR YOU ON THAT.

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6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T BRING  
8 THE ISSUE OF KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER. YOU KNOW, WE WERE  
9 SUPPOSED TO GET A REPORT AT THE END OF JANUARY ON THINGS WERE  
10 GOING TO BE DEALT WITH AND SO ON. THANKS TO MR. FUJIOKA,  
11 EVERYTHING WENT IN CLOSED SESSION. IT IS BEYOND CLOSED  
12 SESSION, HE HAS DISAPPEARED, TOTALLY. WHAT'S GOING ON WITH  
13 THAT ISSUE? I THINK THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO SOME  
14 INFORMATION. NONE OF US ARE ASKING FOR SPECIFICS. BUT TO HAVE  
15 IT TOTALLY DISAPPEAR IS UNBELIEVABLE. I'M VERY DEEPLY  
16 CONCERNED. I AM CONCERNED OF THE BEHIND-THE-DOOR DEALS BEING  
17 MADE. RIGHT NOW THE PUBLIC DOESN'T EVEN HAVE THE SLIGHTEST  
18 IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING ON. YOU KNOW, LAST WEEK, YOU BRIEFLY  
19 MENTIONED THAT HAMMES COMPANY, I FIND OUT LIKE 250 PEOPLE --  
20 BUT THEY HAD OVER 250 PEOPLE EXTRA WORKING ON THE M.A.C.C. I  
21 MEAN THINGS ARE NOT GOING WELL. AND NEXT THING YOU KNOW, I  
22 HEARD SOME RUMORS, AND I HOPE THEY ARE IS JUST RUMOR, THAT  
23 THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO INTENTION TO REOPEN KING/DREW AND THE  
24 INTENTION IS TO MAKE SOME GLORIFIED CLINICS.

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1   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, I'VE HEARD THOSE RUMORS, TOO. AND  
2   I'VE BEEN ASSURED BY DR. CHERNOF AND BY MR. FUJIOKA THAT THOSE  
3   ARE NOT TRUE. AND THAT THERE'S NO DISCUSSION OR ANY PROPOSALS.  
4   IT'S JUST SOMEONE WHO BROUGHT THAT UP.

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6   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WELL, YOU KNOW, I WAS TOLD YESTERDAY  
7   TO STAY OFF THAT ITEM AND NOT BRING THAT ISSUE AT ALL. OF  
8   COURSE THE MORE YOU TELL ME NOT TO DO SOMETHING, THE MORE I'M  
9   LIKELY TO DO IT. BUT I THINK ONE OF THE CONCERNS IS ON  
10   SEMANTICS. WHEN I SEE IN A CLOSED SESSION ITEM WE ARE NOT  
11   GOING TO DISCUSS ABOUT AN OPERATOR FOR KING/DREW BUT REAL  
12   ESTATE PROPERTY VALUE. THAT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT THING. AND  
13   THAT'S WHAT WE ARE SEEING CONSISTENTLY IN THE CLOSED SESSION.

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15   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT IS A REAL ESTATE ISSUE.

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17   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** IT'S A REAL ESTATE ISSUE. AND THAT'S A  
18   HUGE CONCERN TO ME.

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20   **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL IT IS A REAL ESTATE ISSUE.

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22   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** SO YOU SEE, NOBODY'S TALKING ABOUT AN  
23   OPERATOR ANYMORE.

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1    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY, BUT THE OPERATOR IS IN  
2    CONJUNCTION WITH THE REAL ESTATE ISSUE. IT'S A FACILITY.

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4    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** IT'S A FACILITY AND WE'RE TALKING  
5    ABOUT PROPERTY. SO GREAT CONCERN. AND I THINK WHEN YOU HAVE  
6    RUMORS, THEY COME FROM SOMEWHERE. AND MOST OF THE TIME IT'S A  
7    LOT OF TRUTH TO THE RUMOR. THANK YOU.

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9    **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THE PUBLIC COMMENT HAS CONCLUDED.

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11    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
12    NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
13    CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-2, CS-3  
14    AND CS-4, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
15    LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
16    AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON FEBRUARY 26, 2008**

In Open Session, the Board continued this item CS-1 one week to March 4, 2008.

On items CS-2 and CS-4, no reportable action was taken.

**CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

(Subdivision (a) of Government code Section 54956.9) Salvador Solis v. County of Los Angeles, United States District Court Case No. CV 01-06425.

This is a lawsuit seeking damages for alleged injuries to plaintiff caused by other inmates while plaintiff was incarcerated in the Los Angeles County jail system.





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1 The Board authorized County Counsel to seek review in the  
2 United States Supreme Court on the decision of the 9th Circuit  
3 Court of Appeals in the in the above matter.

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5 The vote of the Board was unanimous.

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2 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of  
3 California, do hereby certify:

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5 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors February 26, 2008  
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11 Supervisors as certified by me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor

14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

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